File No. 269

1904

Collection No.

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Mysore Residency

Pros Serial Nos. 1 – 12 – 50

Subject.

Site for a new Telegraph to the east of the Central Post Office

Previous References.

7/89
7 280/01 (1-9)
7 153/02
7 259/04 (1-8)

Later References.

1907-1908
7 212/07 Bondage Settlement by Ex Tel. Dept.
7 80/10 Construction of Quarters - Rly. Police
7 74/14 Site for a building for the Y. M. C. A. Bangalore Mean the St Mark's church

S. 97.—(Blue).

DCFP—6788&P—(G-1085)—10-3-30—1,00,000.

NOTES AND PRECIS.

E. P.E.—5-1904.—1,000.

RESIDENT'S OFFICE.

Note Sheet.

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3

Letter No. 296 dated 27th June 1904

from the Superintendent, Govt. Telegraph Traffic Division

SUBJECT

Site for a new Telegraph Office in Wodonga

The land required for the Telegraph Office is a plot in the Residency Compound adjoining to Govt. as the whole of the Residency ground have been made over to the British Govt. by the Royal Burma Durbar in exchange for the Bungalow Govt. No charge is recovered when Govt. Land is transferred from one department to another in the interest of the public service. Certain plots of land were obtained from the Military department for the Lady Curzon Hospital and no payment was made. Sir James Bourdillon

2. It is stated that the Resident was agreed to make over the plot of ground required to the Telegraph Deptt. A formal application may therefore be received in due course, and in reply to the present

letter

probably agreed to make over a plot of land in the Residency Compound to the Telegraph Deptt, but there is no record of it in office.

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If the Office Rent does not permit to defer a reply pend
de jamais re
letter it may, if approved, be stated that
the plot of ground in question belongs to
the British Govt and that it can be made
over to the Telegraph Dept free of charge.

(The Eastern end of the High ground
which the Military officers before us consider
as to the Civil Dept for building Residency
office might perhaps well be utilized
for building a Telegraph office. The site is
~~[illegible] occupied by the Residency Post~~ office)

Notes—*continued.*

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Rest.

Sir James has probably mentioned this case to you. I was present at an interview he had with Mr Mackenzie when he said that he had no objection to hand over to the Telegraph Dept. a plot of land to the West & adjoining the Post Office but he asked that the actual area required might be first marked out on the ground with stakes so that he cd. judge better what the effect wd be. I think this is advisable. An acre or a quarter does not present anything very concrete to me personally.

I wd suggest making this a definite condition

The idea was that the new building shd. be completely & properly walled round so as not to have outside the Town visit the Compound. Inside this wall I mean or Residency side trees cd be planted if required.

R Chalmers

F.A. Sir James did not mention the case. Better say the further disposal of the question must await his return from leave in October. In the meantime there will be no objection to the action suggested at A in your note above. ARPT. 5/10

R. P. B.—3-1904.—3,000.

K
5 8

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Draft letter to the Supt of Telegraphs Transmission Division is submitted for approval

AJ
5/8/04

Ruling
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5/8/04

Issued No. 3822 dated 8-8-04 S.4

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RESIDENT'S OFFICE.

Note Sheet.

File No.

Letter No. *dated*

from

SUBJECT.

New Telegraph Office at Bangalore

Has the proposed site been marked out on the ground or on a map? If not ask that this may be done and Guild Code at the site one morning next week.

Nov 24

The site has been marked out on the ground. The Darogah knows the exact spot.

3/4/04 Yes Letter plan has just been received & to be put up with this.

Rest

It seems to me that they want a great deal too much & that I will report the outlook for Resi[dency] Bangalore

Have today seen the spot, and examined the site marked out the demands of the Telegraph Dept are extensive and altogether impossible

Respectfully Have examined the ground and find it quite impossible to accept the proposals made which are in my opinion altogether unreasonable - Forwarded not in Resolution 2956 of the 27th July from Sandbank 1¼ acres would be required whereas the land marked for as from on the plan measures 4¼ acres 46½ acres - also point out that I did not promise to make over any ground but merely agreed to consider the proposal favorably if it was for a reasonable charge

[illegible]
1871

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Sph is subd. for appl.

[illegible]
14/11/04.

[illegible]
14/11/04

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B. P. B.—6-1904.—1,000.

RESIDENT'S OFFICE.

Note Sheet.

File No. 269/1904.

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Letter No. 6085 *dated* 6 Dec 1904

from the Supt of Telegraphs, Nandi

SUBJECT.

Site for new Telegraph Office

Asked for orders.

It seems undesirable to give over any portion of the Shinkuru compound to the Telegraph Dept. If we begin to give them an inch now they will always be asking for more for their extensions

12/12/04

12/12/04

Ans. 2. 2 Thimbi in any case 7-0. Old. first to consulted Archer point is that Dunbar Old. apparently also to asked. If I remember rightly Mr Tucker ascertained that the Dunbar would object to the grant of any of the Res. Eq land to the E.A.T. mission. Put up

Hut file.

Rec'd
13 12

File 259/04 is submitted. Please see page 20 of notes in that file which contains Mr Archer's orders.

Skj.

SL
13/12/04

13/12/04

Rec'd

I don't know what yr think of doing about this. The very large modifications now made shows how they were trying to get at yr in the first instance. Dunbar will have to be consulted I think & the 70. The latter will object of the former don't as if Rec recommends but I doubt Dunbars accepting & personally I rather am inclined to think the idea somewhat undesirable in itself.

Rec'd 14.12

Notes—continued.

The Telegraph Dept. dont desire the smallest consideration — but before I say so could we not see them on the site? There would be plenty room for them in that part of the Res Encumpound near the ~~Colonial~~ Press office — there is a corner there which could be used at the extreme S end of the map in file 259 of 1902. The Dr Bar would probably have no objection to see party with Post Site exchanged for a public purpose would be a public convenience. Could T.A.K. consult Major Thackwell about this

14/12

Ref
Ld. Lieut. to speak

14.12

Registrar —

I want to go over the ground with the map at p. 6 of notes to S. I. & S. of 7 259 1904 with Mr Stevens some morning & settle up if possible (1) Site for T & R's bungalow (2) To consider the Telegraph Office site. Please ask Mr Stevens when he can meet me with the map

Practically

(Roy Mwanza says S. 20 wd. suit me — I cd must have at the point of the ground in question by the X roads in front of the Hutchinson bungalow.

[illegible]
21 XII

Issue the D.O below with the map.

[illegible]
21/12/04

Letter No 6085 of 23 Dec 1904
from the Supt of Telegraphs Mwanza.

Please see orders overleaf. As ~~the Shefchens have not reported yet. If approved, this letter may be folded from~~ the T. & R. has presumably surveyed the site with Bwakefchens I send the map to the Shefchens if it is not with the T & R now I will ask him to return it.

Please ask him

[illegible]
21/12/04

D.O send to Bwana [illegible]

[illegible]
21/1/05

Notes—*continued.*

~~File remembered with the maps in~~
~~the present plans~~

~~W~~
1/00

The F.A.'s house if sanctioned
shd go in the middle of the
ground I do not see
what use the plot at the
W. corner between the tomb
& the grove of mango trees cd.
be put except for a public
building. There is heaps of
room there for a telegraph
office without interfering with
the rather fine clump of mango
trees & is fairly central
at the meeting of 5 or 6 roads.
Personally I see no objection
& asking the Telegraph authorities

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whether they wd like it. Mr Stephens cd. easily make small map of this corner giving area up to a line drawn from Ledge to Ledge just excluding the Comb.

Rec'd 5th 1/

Rec'd

Thanks Please do as proposed D/O and if the Tel Dept agree we can signal the Barbor, and approach Indin afterwards

7.1.

Sent to J. A.K. for perusal. I have asked Mr Stephens to let us have a plan.

Plan rec'd from Mr Stephens 13/1/05

N.B. 7/1/05

Notes—*continued.*

Tracing received from Gen. Stephens
& draft sent for approval
Manning
Dr
17/1/05

Sq. Issued No. 322 dated 20-1-05

R. F. B.—3-1904.—3,000.

I. P.E.—5-1106.—1,000.

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RESIDENT'S OFFICE.

File No.

Note Sheet.

Letter No. *dated*

from

SUBJECT

Site for new Telegraph Office.

I have seen the Pike. The new site we have proposed will not suit them. We will take them Rent. Put up file & have it at Residency at 11 o'clock tomorrow morning.

Rawlins
24

Sahib

I saw Mr Pike today and told 25/1/5 him finally that we could not agree to the proposed new Telegraph office site in the Residency Compound near the Post office. He suggested that route the N.W. of the Residency near Nadir Mohammedan tombs instead of across the Deep. I then suggested that he might the site

The East of St Mark's Church where it
was intended Nicholas at one time to
place the Statue of the Ancient Emperors

J.A.M.
2571

R. F. B.—3-1904.—1,000.

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RESIDENT'S OFFICE.

Note Sheet.

File No. 269/1914

Letter No. 7576 dated 13 Feb 1905

from The Supt of Telegraphs Madras

SUBJECT

Site for a Telegraph Office

Submitted with reference to the orders on pages 5 & 9 of the notes at Flag A

16/2/05 The ground they now ask for is the 1·9 acres in the Res[y] Compound.

Rest Res does not object provided excluded & give this. May express regret decline?

[illegible]
CS 2

Res

Your plan as proposed - and say that I hope I may be able to overcome the

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R. P. B.—8-1904.—1,000.

RESIDENT'S OFFICE.

Note Sheet.

File No. 2 by 1814

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Letter No. C 1230 *dated* 19 June 1905

from Ft. A. 4-3, 9 (Secretariat)

SUBJECT

Site for a Central Telegraph Office

Please see the Conf.l papers in the file. The proposed transfer of the site was acquiesced in by the Jaunsar Bawar Tahsildar but it may perhaps be as well to consult the Collector of the Municipal Commissioners before sending an official reply.

Draft ruled for approval.

27/6/05

Rest.

2 Apparently the Telegraph Dept. has settled up with (a) Military authorities (b) Ecclesiastical do

19

Though their precise arrangements with the latter are not known Res is presumably now asked merely as administrative head of the Station

As a matter of form we may consult Coll.r & Pres.t H.C. as proposed

Res.ts

note the Commiss.r want known of the announcem.t involves the closing of any roads

R.w
29/6

The plan shows that what is called Church Street and on the road forms part of the site required by the Telegraph Dept When this site is built upon these roads will presumably be closed and as they lie on Military Land which has been are apparently regarded as military property

Notes—*continued.*

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There will probably be no objection to Town being closed but in any case of the Municipality must be kept any further information we can obtain if one being asked.

29/6/05

Rec'd

Anyhow we can let them know I have altered draft accordingly. The closing of these two short bits of road cannot be objectionable

[signature]
30/6

Rec'd 30. 6.

S.16

Issued No. 3696 dated ~~2nd July 1905~~ 3rd July 1905

R. P. B.—3-1904.—3,000.

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Samples of the Ecclesiastical and other Dues

24/2

Offr. is held: for appl

24/2/05.

24/2/05

Reading
27 2

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R. P. B.—12-1904.—2,000.

RESIDENT'S OFFICE.

Note Sheet.

File No. 2697/1904

P. 17

Letter No. 2007 *dated* 7 August 1905
from the President Municipal Commissioners
Colombo

SUBJECT

Site for a Central Telegraph Office at
Bambalapitiya

A reply may if approved be sent to
Pl. W. 15 that there is no objection draft
letter is submitted for approval

2 In para 2 of his letter the President
Municipal Commissioners states that public
notices closing the roads in question will
issue on receipt of the Resident's sanction
under Sec: 75 Municipal Ordinance
no such sanction is apparently necessary
in this case. The roads being on military
land are not vested in the Commissioners
under Sec: 73 of the Municipal Ordinance
there is therefore no need for their transfer
under Sec 75. If approved this may be
communicated

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printed out by the Municipal Commissioners when orders have been passed by the Govt of India for making over the land to the Telegraph Dept.

H.
11/8/05

Draft may issue

11/8/05

12/8

Rest. We want a copy of the draft for our file

4 CP

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RESIDENT'S OFFICE.

Note Sheet.

File No. 269 of 1904

DW

Letter No. 2958 dated 19 October 1905
from the Govt of India Military Dept

SUBJECT

Site for a new telegraph office at Mysore

Flag A

Please see note in Se. N. 17

Myst letter to the President, Municipal Commrs is submitted for approval

NS
31/10/05

I think para 2 of the Resp may be omitted as the Electric Lighting file was argued that all roads other than those excepted under Sec 5 of the Land Law vest in the Municipality So nothing can be said now about the roads which can be closed by the Commr Resp under Sec 77. when necessary

DW 2/11
31/10/05
Rec 5.21

Issued No. 6393 dated 3.11.05

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RESIDENT'S OFFICE.

Note Sheet.

File No. 269/1904

Letter No. — *dated* —

from

SUBJECT.

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Papers [illegible] to
[illegible] [illegible]
Telegraph [illegible] [illegible]
Church

Jan 7
217

File 269/1904 Submitted.
Dr.
6/1/05

3/2/05

Rest

2. Personally I think it a
great pity that this site
as it is a garden enclosed
by the houses which

it should not with any sort
of building thereon.
It is apparently not
clear to me why any thing as
the S.G.V. have sanctioned
the transfer of the land.
D/O
3. Please ask the Supt.

Telegraphic business.
Matter is now being
finally decided at this
office this date.

Supt
3/7

Supt. D.O. letter is submitted for approval

AJ.
4/7/01.

C.P.
4/7/01

Issue

Issued No. 3835 dated 5th July 1906 D.24

Notes—*continued.*

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4. In a letter No. 23629/11 Dtg 4/7/06, the Supt of Telegraphs, Trunks Division, states that it has been finally decided to build the new Telegraph Office in Bangalore on the site selected adjoining St. Marks Church.

5. The letter may be recorded.

AS.
17/7/06

17/7/06

Rec'd 18/7/06

F. A. R.

6 Please write No 6 to the Chief Telegraph Master, & say that the Resident wishes to discuss the question of the site for the new Telegraph Office &

E. P. S.—12-1905.—3,000.

[illegible] via England if he — wish to utilize the opportunity of his approaching visit to Bangalore to call at the Residency.

Appr 8/8 — 8/8

Draft d.o letter is submitted for approval.

9/8/06

9/8/06

Issued No. 4577 dated 11th August 06 S. 26.

and the Bowling Institute & ground
It would be a convenient thing to
the abolishment & demolition of the C. & H.
Station to block up the space whi
already between him is beautified by
evergreen trees & shrubs practically
an enclosure of the kind in which
is capable of considerable improvement
as a setting to St Mark's Church,
and the objection will be, it seems,
using the nature of the building
proposed, viz. it includes residential
quarters for the Telegraph staff, with
the necessary accompaniment of servants'
yard-room, Larders etc: the erection
of which will entail the construction of
a high & unsightly wall.
The Resident has ascertained from the
Telegraph Dept that this site is
by no means a perfect one from the
point of view of their special
requirements, and that they will be
glad to give it up, if another
site can be substituted.
After careful ~~consideration~~ enquiry the
Resident is driven to the

(Continuation of Draft.)

[illegible] that
the best & in fact
the only site available
either for the Cattle
Station is the open
piece of ground
facing the Quarter
Guard of the Hospitals
Lights, as at present,
it is intended
and by that right
to a Looking ground
L^rs S. is anxious
to avoid the building
alterations & removal
&c. of the land
allotted to their
use, but he trusts
that the S. O. C. will
agree with him in
condemning the proposal
to build on the
space by V^t Lantō'

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(Continuation of Draft).

[illegible] responsible for the [illegible] from the [illegible] point of view of the alternative sites now suggested, which is central, contiguous to the Post Office & adapted for the requirements of the Telegraph Dept. We hope therefore that the S.O.C. will see its way to sanctioning the land acquisition.

Sd E

7/9/06

Draft letter is submitted for approval.

H.J. 4/9/06 C/E/H

Issued No. 5101 dated 7th September 1906. S.27.

E. P.B.—7-1906.—1,000.

RESIDENT'S OFFICE.

Note Sheet.

File No. 269 of 1904

Sl. 25

Letter No. ——— *dated* 5th September 1906

from W. Coalfell, Muscat.

SUBJECT.

New Telegraph Office in the Custom Station.

W. Coalfell's premises, No. 3 Museum Road, contains an area of about 6890 square feet, & was purchased by him for Rs 7,100/-

2. The area of the ground required by the Telegraph Dept. for this purpose is not available from the present site of Office. The plot required at the Residency originally covered 1.9 acres, but the area of the plot granted by the Military authorities is not known; the land belonging to Sl. Mamdu is 31,431 square feet which is the site required by the Telegraph Dept. in addition to the Military land a map of which will be found as an enclosure to Sl. No. 15 of this file. There can be no doubt that both the Military & Church plots will cover an area much in excess of the area of W. Coalfell's premises

3. There are no proper Office about the Arbour for the new Telegraph Office. We have addressed the

Sl. W. 7.

Sl. 4. Confdl. file 269 1904

The Political authorities have agreed to part with this land for Rs 6000/-

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the military for the Inniskilling Rifles Hockey Ground
is enclosed thereon the new telegraph office in
place of the site adjoining St Nunnis church -
The reply from the military may be awaited -

11/9/06

Mr Stephens.

11/9/06

Please let me
know the area of the proposed
site on S. Parade. If it has not
been measured please do so.

Hsm 11/9/06

The area of the whole
site is 92388 Sq. feet or
2.12 acres. This includes
the 31431 Sq ft purchased
from the Ecclesiastical
department as the
Municipal Council made
offers for this purpose -
The area of the Hockey
ground of the Inniskilling
Rifles has not been measured

14-9-06

J H Stephens

Notes—*continued.*

Resident. I saw the site in question Rd. I think it might do but the expense of acquiring it would be a consideration. We may await the reply about the hockey ground.

13/9/06.

Acknowledge receipt of Mr Sampleton's letter. If we do not get the hockey ground & if the Vol. Dept. have to buy for the V.C. church site, it will be worth proposing that Mr Sampleton land who. the parcel mentioned of the letter named.

19/9

Reply letter is sent for approval.

20/9/06

Issued No. 5410 dated 22nd September 1906

S.29.

R. P. B.—2-06.—1,000.

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RESIDENT'S OFFICE.

Note Sheet.

File No. 269 of 1904

A. 30

Letter No. 6047 *dated* 24. September 1906
from the A.C.R.S., Bangalore Brigade

SUBJECT.

Site for a new Telegraph Office in Bangalore.

Please see Note on Sl. No. 28.

2. The Telegraph Deptt. have to pay Rs 600/- for St. Mark's Church site. As Sadhu's premises in Museum Road was purchased by him for Rs 710/- Deptt. D.O letter to the Deptt of Telegraphs, Madras, is sent for approval.

HS
28/9/06

28/9/06

Draft D.O. is put up.

Read

30/9/06.

Issued.

30/9

Sl. 12 Confdl. file 269 1904

Sl. 28 A. file 269 1904

I do not know the G.O. referred to in the Law Dept. Shall I see?
30/9.

S. 31.

Issued No. 56395-10-06.

R. P. S.—7-1906.—1,000

RESIDENT'S OFFICE.

Note Sheet.

File No. 269 / 1904

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Letter No. 6686 dated 22nd October 1904
from the A. C. N. G., Wangaloa Wangside

SUBJECT.

Site for a new Telegraph Office in the Cantonments

A.6

Originally, a plot of ground in the Residency Compound was wanted for the new Telegraph Office; but the Superintendent of Telegraphs was informed that the request could not be complied with - A site adjoining St. Mark's church was then thought of - This contains two plots, one belonging to St. Mark's church & the other to the Military authorities - The former the Ecclesiastical authorities are prepared to make over to the Telegraph Department if they get Rs 6000/- The latter is available under the sanction of the Govt of India conveyed in Military Dept. Letter No. 2958. M. dated the 19th October 1905.

A.H. Confdl No. 269 / 1904

Sl. No. 20. No. 269 / 1904

2. The Resident (the Hon'ble Mr. Fraser) however considered it undesirable to block the open space adjoining St. Mark's Church with a building & after ascertaining the wishes of the Telegraph

to J. with reference to G.T.J. report and the Ecclesiastical Authorities' reply thereto. Sd/- F

Telegraph authorities tried to obtain for them the plot of ground used by the Napier Rifles as a hockey ground, but the military head objection to transfer the ground. The Telegraph authorities were informed of this result, & they were told that a house site on museum Road which was purchased by the Municipality for Rs 7,100/- was available for sale. The Supdt of Telegraphs was asked, in this D.O. of 5th Oct. 1906, to give his opinion on the suitability of this site - as regards which has not been received. It is believed that the Talkatora ground is recently in process to consider the question of Rly. D. N. 32

3. The military now uses the hockey ground of the Napier Rifles provided Miller's Tank, No. 3, which ~~has~~ rests in the Municipal Commissioner of the Province in exchange duly filled up & levelled. The proposal appears ~~to be quite impracticable since it~~ will involve a considerable outlay to level up the tank for use as a Parade ground. If approved, a copy of Col. Thackwell's letter may be sent, D.O., to the Supdt of Telegraphs, Madras Division, in continuation of this office letter of 5th October, 1906. D. 31.

24/10/06

4. Before addressing the Supdt of Telegraphs, we may send

Notes—continued.

Gen. Sec. I

The file (no. 0) to the Engineer for information on the following points:-

(i) The approximate cost of filling up & levelling Sullers Tank, No 3.

(It is presumed the Telegraph Dept will bear the cost & not the Municipality. This work will improve the sanitary condition of the area near the Tank)

(ii) whether there will be any objection on the part of the Municipality to hand over the Tank to the Telegraph Dept.

(The transfer can be made with the sanction of the Govt under sec 75 of the Bangalore Municipal Laws)

No. The Military will probably contribution from County: Sec I Tank, & the Municipality will probably agree to contribute a portion of the cost: if need be)

AD
26/4/06

Rest 5. The above information is necessary before it can be decided what is to be done with

R. P. B.—2-06.—1,000.

setting up a tank is a large order and the Telegraph people will probably find the Museum Road site cheaper. File o.o. Cle: Comm

HK.

28/10/06.

6. Send to Mr Crowe as proposed. The position I understand is this. The cost of draining & filling in the Tank is beyond the means of the County, but via have to be undertaken by the Military & in any case to render the Land habitable.

7. Their expenditure of money on this object will be facilitated if the tank site is made over to them by the County: & it will be an excellent bargain for the latter to take in exchange the land they want to

Notes—*continued.*

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the Post Office a
advise it for the new
Telegraph building.
Do not for the land
must be taken upon
the Telegraph Dept.

8. Please write Mr Tuite
Talbot & say that the
Resident will hope to
find a suitable site,
in place of the one
by St Mark's Church, ~~which~~
~~has been fixed upon~~
Regrets that temporary
that the Tel. Dept. will
take no action to
commence building without
giving him the earliest
intimation possible.

John F
P.M.G. 25/10

R. P. B.—2-06.—1,000.

9. D.O. No. 6093 S/26-10-06 issued.

To Mr. Moore, M.O., with reference to para 6 of note.

AJ 26/9/06 10 S.S. Please let me have the estimate required in para. 4(i) above.

A.J.M. 29/10/06

11. Returned U.O. I am sending up officially the resolution of the Commission on the subject.

P. Moore 13/12/06

12 Remit for official letter

H.P.K. 14/12/06.

B. P.B.—2-1906.—1,000.

PRESIDENT'S OFFICE.

File No.

Note Sheet.

Letter No. *dated*

from

SUBJECT.

13 How does the Miami Valley Telegraph Office case stand?

The reply to the T. of C. must be expedited.

S. E.

15/12

14 Please see para 11 on page 6 of the note. The President and Court has promised to submit the case specially & we are now awaiting that official communication

15/12/08

15 Please see that the correspondence is complete when I return from Calcutta

16 Please thank Mr O'Shaughnessy for the letter (Please keep) & say that the Resident will be happy. I shall see him about the matter, if he cares to call after Mr I. returns from Calcutta

Sd F

16/12

Draft d.o letter is submitted for approval. Issued on 19th Dec 1906.

If the official communication referred to in para 11 of note be not received from the municipal President by the 24th inst of this month, a reminder may issue, in order to enable the office to complete the correspondence for submission to the Resident on return from Calcutta, as directed in para 15 of note.

Recd. / Noted

A.P.
17/12/06

17/12/06

Sec

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E. P.B.—7-1906.—1,000.

RESIDENT'S OFFICE.

Note Sheet.

File No. 269/1904

A.N 39

Letter No. 4379 *dated* 20. December 1906
from the President, Municipal Commissioners, C/o the Station

SUBJECT.

Site for the new Telegraph Office at Bangalore.

Cl. 20.

A. 27.

A. 32

A. 39

A. 34

The site chosen for the new Telegraph Office adjoins St. Mark's Church, & the Govt of India have sanctioned the acceptance by the Telegraph department of the plot of military land comprised therein. The Resident considered that this site was objectionable from various reasons & that the hockey ground of the Sappers' Rifles would suit the purpose - The military authorities originally put obstacles in the way, but subsequently agreed to make over the hockey ground provided sullen's tank N. 3 was given in exchange, duly filled up & levelled for use as a Parade ground - The Municipal Commissioners agree to make over the tank as it is and say that they are not in a position to spend any money on the tank. General Scallon has stated in a D.O. letter

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Dated the 6th Nov. 1906 the Duke of Devonshire will support the scheme for draining Millers Creek & to take over the reclaimed area in exchange for the hockey ground. It is presumed that the military expect that the Creek is made over to them duly filled up & levelled. It is not known what these improvements will cost. The mere draining of the Creek is estimated at £1698 (Jones: 27th Nov. 06), the outlay on filling up the Creek & levelling will be pretty large, & the Telegraph authorities who will be benefitted by the change in the site may probably find the required money. Having regard to the fact that the appearance & amenities of the locality will not be interfered with by the proposed change of site for the Telegraph Office, the Municipal Commissioners ought to make a suitable contribution towards the outlay in case the Creek drained at a cost of £1698 as a general sanitary measure. Resd. they failed their ability. it is unexpected for amount of funds, and could not [illegible] to press them to [illegible] any thing by [illegible]

2. A print was taken at the meeting of the Municipal Commissioners whether it would be legal for the Commissioners to fill up the Creek and Col. Osborne-Smith was delegated

the military authorities do not contribute anything towards the outlay by any expenditure on the Creek.

JPK
27/12/06.

The cost should be shared by Civil & military in equal shares

JPK
27/12/06.

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? watering cattle.

to letter to the Subject to the Resident & he was told that the Resident would be happy to see him about the matter if he ever came to call after his return from Calcutta - The tank vests in the Commissioner under section 73 (b) of the Municipal Law & under section 75, the Commissioner may, with the sanction of the Resident, transfer the tank to Govt but not so as to affect any trusts or public rights subject to which the property is held - There is nothing in the Act to show subject to what trust or public rights the tank was held till now by the Commissioner - The tank was presumably utilized by the people to obtain water for drinking purposes, but this practice has evidently been discontinued since the introduction of the pipe-water supply - The municipal Secretary does not say anything about the existence of any trusts or public rights which will be affected by the proposed transfer of the tank to the military Govt, & when it has been definitely ascertained by a reference to the Municipal Commissioner that the transfer will not affect any trusts or rights, it will then be decided how

R. P. B.—2-06.—1,000.

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& capture expense & levelling
Lowering the filling up of the tanks is to be carried out, sanction being given under section 75 of the Municipal Law, the grant to the transfer of the tanks to His Majesty.

(No sanction is now required as per para 163 of the President's letter, an estimate of which will be placed in the file concerned vide P. 489 of 1905) } done.

H.S.
22/12/06

3. If when the tank is filled up & levelled by the Municipality, it ceases to be a tank, and whatever rights the public might have had in the tank will cease & determine immediately on its conversion into a dry land. The Municipality can then transfer the land to the Govt. Dept. free of all encumbrances. The cost of the conversion (i.e. filling up & levelling) is fairly chargeable to the ~~Sanitary~~ Military Dept., ~~for whose benefit all these arrangements~~

This argument seems sound, but A being municipal property it would seem to admit the necessity for that body to fill up the tank before parting with it
HHP
27/12/06.

Notes—*continued.*

which, it is assumed, is foreseen to meet the expenditure.

In the meantime the profit may be used (as at present) for the purpose to ascertain whether the course indicated at A above meet the requirements of the case & whether the Municipality will undertake to fill up, & level the banks if funds are made available

20/12/06.

File a.o. to Mr Howse, who is asked to kindly return it as soon as possible.

The course indicated at A would seem to get rid of the legal difficulty but if ~~the land does belong~~ there are public rights subject to which the property is held it would seem that these can only be got rid of by the Commissioners act, in which case the Board would have both to fill it up & pay for the work

R. P. B.—2-06.—1,000.

Returns ... there are no trusts involved. With regard to 'public rights' there are no rights of cultivation. There may be considered to have been a right to use the water for drinking purposes (see Prop: of the Municipality of 18/4/1866 — copy attached) until an alternative drinking supply was provided. The tank was constructed by Government because a drinking water supply was considered necessary. When a better supply was provided the necessity ceased and I consider that no right of any sort exists. I agree for

I do not think the proposed course would obviate any difficulty supposed to exist assuming that there is a 'right' such we are no more justified in abolishing that right by draining or filling up the tank than in having the tank ourselves for the 'right' to be abolished. But as I have said above I consider that no 'right' exists.

On the other hand the existence of the tank in its present condition is a public danger, being as dangerous to the health of Blackpully as to that of the district. In the face of the consensus of expert opinion on this point I think there is no room for doubt as to the expediency of the course proposed. Its legality is I think also clear. I agree. for

P. Thomas

3/1/07.

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No.15.

Proceedings of the Municipal Board.

Bangalore 19th April 1866.

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3. Proposed by the President that the Reservoir under construction above Miller's tank be made use of to supply the Bazaars with good drinking water, which must naturally be purer and more wholesome than that from Ulsoor tank.

Resolved that the purest water for drinking purposes can be supplied from Miller's tank.

(Sd) C.A.Benson,

President, Municipal Board.

C o p y.

Secretary. 2/1/07.

Notes—*continued.*

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Rowlett.

Please see Rowlett's note + marginal note. The expediency of filling up the Tank outweighs I think the validity of any public rights (drinking cattle watering + others) which may exist, even altho' the new pipe water supply has practically replaced the need for the use of the Tank for drinking purposes. Theoretically Mr. O' Shaughnessy's contention has some force, inasmuch as the creation of new rights in the pipe supply does not extinguish the old rights existing in the public to the use of the Tank water, for there is always the very remote possibility that the pipe supply may fail. Practically however it is of little weight, owing to the very small risk of the pipe supply failing + to the need for better sanitation by the draining of the Tank well as to sanitary requirements.

R. P. B.—2-06.—1,000.

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2). As regards the cost of filling in the tank the G.O.C. seemed inclined to think, when I spoke to him about the matter, that the cost should be borne equally by civil & military. He may be addressed officially on the point.

J.P.R.

4/1/07.

I agree with Mr. Monro. Clearly the tank is not laid by the Admiralty: subject to any rights & the requirements for watering cattle (if it is to be used) cannot prevent our filling it up for the good of the station, & even any more than a similar argument would deter the Admiralty from filling in any hospital-breeding pond or a dangerous well.

in the sense contemplated by sec: 75

Notes—continued.

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Draft to the T-o e.
communicating the resolution
of the Com.ee as to that,
at the Resident's discretion,
the restriction of showing
anything on the tank as
regards the view of the
large steam launch, ordered
by the Amty: in the
neighbourhood. (Received by
hi: hands (letter)

JHF
16/1

Draft is submitted for approval.
Sd.
18/1/07.

DS
19/1/07

S.40

Issued No. 421 dated 26-1-07

R. P. B.—2-06.—1,000.

R. P. S.—7-1906.—1,000.

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RESIDENT'S OFFICE.

Note Sheet.

File No. 189 of 1904

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A. 42

Letter No. 1304 dated 2nd March 1907
from the A.C.R.O, Bonnyglen Bungalow
Letter No. 1034 of 26th Feb. 1907 from the District Engr. Nellore

SUBJECT.

Sites for a new Telegraph Office at Bonnyglen.

A. 42

The Director General of Military Works
wishes that the question of a site for the new Telegraph
Office might be settled as early as possible so
that he may take in hand construction work in
April next. The A. D. C, Bonnyglen, is apparently
inclined to fall in with the Resident's
suggestion to give up superior Rifle Trading ground
in exchange for swampy land No. 3, if a portion of the
cost of reclamation of the latter be paid by the
Municipality. The Commissioner is convinced
that the tank as it is now is a source
of insanitary danger, and might therefore be asked to consent
to bear a portion of the cost of the necessary
improvements in the interests of the sanitation of the station.
The Municipal Engineer will be in a position to say what the
approximate cost of filling up the tank &
levelling the site will be. The Municipality
can perhaps afford to pay 1/3. The cost
if approved, the Municipal Commr.

A. 41

Not so necessary as to justify any expense

Sd

may be consulted A.D. (signed).

2. In connection with the site near St. Mark's Church, the Ecclesiastical authorities will have to be paid £ 6,000/- by the Telegraph Deptt. - If the Church ground is to be planned on the disposal of the Telegraph Deptt, they will be allowed this from present and the Municipality cannot agree to pay a share of the cost of Reclamation, or of the proportion which they agree to pay is not accepted by the military, this share can easily be paid from the saving which will accrue to the Telegraph authorities - If necessary, the Deptt of Telegraphs can be addressed in the matter - The first thing is to know what the cost of reclamation will be -

H.

4/3/07

Mr. Hall B
Sr. II Capital 28 Feb
No. to mark H
merely an inter-
departmental Comm

6/3/07

Spoken

5/3/07

Rest

Please see marginal note.
We must take no part in the action. If
the building authorities want the land
drained, they will doubtless arrange to
find the money. The Telegraph Deptt
I believe we should be offered important

Notes—*continued.*

Bat VI: 42
Views they will be invited at once.
Sec. S.

F 21

changes and the proposed new office will can be combined with the General Scheme

Sec.

8/3/07.

~~I spoke to the Sec. of State~~

the Hockey Ground matter

mentioned.

On the one hand the S.O.C. tells me that the C. of C. will never surrender it for ~~anything~~

We must try a new line.

Draft to the D.S. on the following lines.

Point out the many objections to the St Lucia' Church site (any burial upon for any burial whatever; secondly the action taken to attempt to obtain the Hockey Ground viz. pointing out the significance of the hockey; thirdly

to vi: the Bishop & the Chaplains and Coroner

to vacate their land
without material advance in order
to save the V. Land'
Land title; because
the failure of the negotiations
had as follows:—
The Resident wishes to
view the question from
not from any departmental
stand-point but solely
in the general interests
of the Ch. Nation as
a whole, in which
the liberty possessed
as now in the Civil
are included; ~~also with~~
the civil, although
individual
that a contract actually
be so deep in and to
~~to~~ attempt
the latter, so ~~especially~~
containing a larger number
of permanent residents
in Bangalore may doubtless
feel more deeply in
the matter.

in deciding between the
rival proposals to close
both the Granville Street
station & maintain
the powers of the Dist:
~~to their compensation~~
~~but solely the~~
convenience, but chiefly
the question of

(i) Which is the best
site for the purpose in
view?

(ii) Which site can best
best spare?

With regard to point (i)
the St Mark's Church site
is the more central, but
it is less roomy, and
the erection of a big
block of buildings would
~~[illegible]~~, which are to
include residential
quarters for the staff with
servants go-down offices etc:
on a site, ~~[illegible]~~
bounded by the Church
compound, St Mark's Rd:
& the Railway Institute

Notes—*continued.*

The Govt. Telegraph Office having if possible to be built on Govt. land, in order to avoid expenditure on the site, a site (and can be obtained only by removing ~~it away~~ from one of the Depts. e.g. Lighthouse or Ecclesiastical, such portion of land as can be spared from the departmental purposes for which it has been allotted by Govt. In such a case, where a sacrifice has to be made by some Dept., each Dept. naturally & properly tries to make a bargain, but the determining consideration for the Govt. is Public

R. P. B.—2-06.—1,000.

Notes—*continued.*

would not greatly detract
the amenities of one of
the Quays of Bangalore
but would be a serious
nuisance to the neighbourhood.
Parade ground
The Hearing ground site, as
shown on the Central Post Office
Plan, is
while not about 1/4 mile
further from the centre of
the station, is more
open and while being
a frontage also would
be secured by the
erection of a low public
building, about below
on a level of the
Cubbon Park, which would
be kept by the municipality
no public nuisance would
be caused by the proximity
of residential quarters.
As to (iii), the remarks
of the St. Mark's Church
site cannot be applied to
the public interests here

already been stated. 26
The Parade ground on the other
hand, it is believed, is no
longer needed for parade,
& the barracks provide
ample space for barking.
The purpose for which it is
now required will.
Now it is believed that
the Military authorities
~~would even desire to have~~
~~on this~~ contemplate
objecting to it for building
purposes.
In these circumstances, it
seems to my opinion to
doubted what position should
be selected for the new
Telegraph Office, and I
venture to think that
the position of this Office
in the middle
Town will be sanctioned
when by the Dept which
would have to find the
land.
Please work this scrap
into up into a despatch.
Sir F Bds

Notes—*continued.*

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Draft letter to the Director General, N.D., is submitted for approval.

H.
11/2/07

11/3/07

Next Issue

Sec 2
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S.43 Issued letter No. 2308 of 14-3-07.

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A SITE FOR THE NEW TELEGRAPH OFFICE AT BANGALORE.

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Hy M Sl.6 & 13.

~~It was originally intended to make over~~ The Telegraph Dept originally asked for a plot within the Residency compound for the construction of a new Telegraph Office in Bangalore, but this ~~intention~~ was ~~subsequently abandoned~~ eventually refused. It was afterwards decided to construct the Telegraph office on the site on the

Hy N Sl.20

east of St.Mark's Church, and the Govt of India in the Military Department sanctioned the use of the land to which a plot belonging to the Church ~~is~~ was to be added with the consent of the Church Authorities.

Hy O Sl.25

It ~~has~~ was thus ~~been~~ decided to build the Telegraph office on this site but work was not begun in July 1906 for want of funds.

Hy A Sl.27

2. In Mr.Fraser's opinion, the site decided upon was not suitable for the reasons given in this office letter No.5101, d/- 7th September 1906, and it was attempted to obtain for this purpose the open plot of ground facing the Quarter Guard of the Napier's

Hy B Sl.30

Rifles opposite to the General Post Office. The Military originally raised objections to make over

Hy C Sl.32

the site, but subsequently withdrew them provided they were granted in exchange Miller's tank No.[illegible] filled up and levelled so as to be available for use as a

[illegible] Trade Commissioners were

Hy D
Sl.39

addressed on the subject were willing to transfer the Tank to the Military but they would not spend any money for the reclamation of the tank as they had already incurred large expenditure on sanitary improvements in the vicinity. The Military then said that the plot opposite the Post Office could not be transferred to the Civil Authorities as the Municipal Commission were unable to meet or even share the cost of reclamation of the tank.

Hy E
Sl.41

Hy F
Sl.42

3. The Director-General, M.W., wrote in February 1907 to ask the Resident to settle the question of a site for the Telegraph Office as funds had been provided for the new building in the budget for 1907-08, and he was informed how the matter stood in this office letter No.2308, dated the 14th March 1907, the favour of perusal of which is solicited. as it sets out the facts of the case fully.

Hy G
Sl.43

1/4/07 Resident

2/4/07

I think we might write in reply to this letter fully and state the S.O.C the Brigade has definitely stated that the building used at this station is inadequate for military requirements & that in case of War assistance I think it is not unreasonable that the Dept for whom sake it is required that the area of Crown land at the site should be

Sl 32

[illegible]

Resident's notes of 4th April 1907

I think we might write in continuation to the Director, Military Works, pointing out that the G.O.C. the Brigade has definitely stated that the Military land in this station is inadequate for Military requirements and that in face of that assurance I think it is not unreasonable that the Department for whose sake it is suggested that the area of Military land should be still further reduced should at any rate contribute to the cost of rendering suitable for

Military

Sl.32

R. P. B.—2-06.—1,000.

Notes—*continued.*

Military purposes a further area which is at present owing to natural conditions useless. There is reason to suppose that the Telegraph Department at one time were not indisposed to give a sum of Rs.6,000/- for a site and if that amount could be made available by that Department as a contribution towards the expense of draining and levelling Miller's Tank No.3, it would be an equitable arrangement which would I have reason to believe be acceptable to the Military authorities here and settle finally this long pending question.

Id/- A.W.
4-4-07.

Draft letter is submitted for approval.
A.
4/4/'7

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S.46.

Issued No. 2814 dated 5th April 07

R. P. B.—2-06.—1,000

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File No.

Office Note.

Letter No. [illegible] *dated* [illegible]

from [illegible]

SUBJECT.

[illegible]

Minute as the files.

2.3.17 [illegible] 2/3 [illegible] 3.3.17.

S. I.—S. P. B.—4/1914.—10,000

Received ... 3359
Date of Receipt 16. 7. 04
File No. 269/04

Bangalore Assist Supdts Office, Bangalore
15th July 1904

The British Resident
Mysore

Dear Sir

I have been directed to enquire whether you could grant me the favour of an interview, for the purpose of discussing a site for the building of a new central Telegraph Office as near to the present Central Post Office as possible.

I should therefore be very glad to meet you, if possible at any such time as you might appoint.

Yours faithfully
John P Mackinnon
A.S. of Telegraphs
Bangalore Sub Div.

I shall be very glad to see him on Tuesday at 11.

For issue

16/7/04

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Reply

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File 269/1904

Bangalore
17.7.04.

Dear Sir,

Your letter of the 15th instant.
Sir James Bourdillon will be glad to see
you on Tuesday next the 19th at 11 o'clock

Yours faithfully
Sd/ Rbn. King —

To.

J. P. Mackenzie, Esq.
Assistant Supt. of Telegraphs.
Bangalore Sub Dn

L 22. (½ foolscap).

GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH DEPARTMENT.

FROM The Superintendent Madras Division

To The Hon: Resident Mysore.

No. 2996 Dated 27 July 1874 (Place) Madras

Encs. Read.

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ABSTRACT.

PRECIS.

No. 3620

Date of Receipt 29.7.74

File No. 269/74

SIR,

With reference to your letter No ~~of~~ ~~190~~, I have the honour to state, ~~dated the~~ that the Assistant Superintendent of Telegraphs Bangalore Sub Division informs me that in an interview you agreed to make over to this Department a plot of land in the Residency grounds to the west and adjoining the Central Post Office as a site for a new Telegraph office.

The land we shall require would probably be about an acre and a quarter in extent. I should be much obliged if you would inform me whether the land is Government property and could be made over without charge to this Department.

I have the honor to be

Your most obedient servant

Supt. Superintendent in charge Madras Division

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Land is Govt. property.

G G P—No. 866 S. & P. 24/3.1901—100000

(Continuation of Draft).

~~[illegible]~~ the actual area
required ~~[illegible]~~ may be marked out
on the ground with stakes for
his inspection [illegible]

I have, etc.,

[illegible]

[illegible] Asst. Adjt. Genl.

[illegible] 5/8/04

R. P. B.—7-04—1,000.

RESIDENT'S OFFICE.

Serial No. 1
File No. 269

To

[DRAFT.]—For approval. 1904

From R. C. H. MOSS. KING, Esq., I. C. S.,
1st Assistant to the Resident in Mysore.

No 3822 d/8th August 1904.

To The Superintendent of Telegraphs
Madras Division

Sir,

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 2996 dated the 27th July 1904 regarding the plot of land within the Residency ground required as a site for a new Telegraph Office.

2. In reply, I am to say that the further disposal of the question must await Sir James Bourdillon's return from leave in October next. In the meantime, I am to request that

A. J.

L 2a. (½ foolscap).

GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH DEPARTMENT.

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ABSTRACT.

PRECIS.

FROM The Superintendent
Madras Division

To The First Assistant to the
Resident in Mysore Bangalore

No. 5207 Dated 2 November 1904

(Place) Madras

Encs. Recd.

RESIDENT'S C[illegible]
Register No. 537
Date of Receipt 4-11-1904
File No. 289
1904

S.4

SIR,

With reference to your letter No. 3822, dated the 8th of August 1904, I have the honour to forward herewith a rough plan of the land that would be required and to request the favor of a reply

S.3 to my letter No. 2996 dated the 27th of July 1904. The buildings have been marked out ready for inspection.

2. Please return the plan when no longer required.

I have the honor to be,
Sir
Your most obedient servant,

C. Arbuthnot
Asst. Superintendent,
In charge Madras Division.

C G P—No [illegible] T—24 1 1901—100000

R. P. B.—9-04—1,000.

To

RESIDENT'S OFFICE.

Serial No. 6
File No. 269
1904

[DRAFT.]—For approval.

From

R. C. H. MOSS. KING, Esq., I. C. S.,
1st Assistant to the Resident in Mysore.

No 5743 Sketch plan d/16th November 1904

To,

The Superintendent of Telegraphs, Madras Sir,

With reference to the Correspondence ending with Your letter No. 5302 dated the 2nd Novr: 1904, forwarding a plan showing the Extent of land ~~required~~ in the Residency ~~Compound~~ required for a new Telegraph office, I am directed to state that the ~~Resident~~ has examined the ground and find it quite impossible to accept the proposals made which are, in his opinion, altogether unreasonable.

2. ~~I am to~~ It is therefore

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Sir James Bomfillon

(Continuation of Draft).

That in your letter No. 2996. of the 27th July 1904, 81. 3.
it was said, that 1¼ acres of land would be required for the purpose, whereas the land now asked for, as shown in the plan, measures nearly 4½ acres. ~~And~~ I am to add that Sir James Bromley did not promise to make over any ground to the Telegraph Dept. but merely agreed to consider the proposal favourably if it were of a reasonable character.

The plan received with your letter under acknowledgment is herewith returned.

I have &c.

Sd/ R.M. King.

I. N. R.

K. 14/11/04

14/11/04.

L 2c. (½ foolscap).

GOVERNMENT TELEGRAPH DEPARTMENT.

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ABSTRACT.

PRECIS.

FROM THE SUPERINTENDENT, Madras DIVISION.

To The Joint Assistant to the Resident in Mysore.

No. 6003 Dated 6 December 1904

(Place) Madras.

Recd.

Encs.

Date of Reply 7/12/04

Cr. 19/12/04

6003 8-12-1904

Date of Reply

File No. 269/1904

SIR,

1. 6 With reference to your letter No. S743 dated the 16th of November 1904, I have the honour to forward herewith copy of a letter No. 4262 dated the 2nd instant from the Commanding Royal Engineer Bangalore Brigade with a revised site plan of the land required for the new Telegraph office. I request that I may be informed whether this proposal meets with Sir James Bourdillon's approval.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

Asst. Superintendent,
In charge Madras Division.

C. & P.—No. 817 1-12-1904—5000.

of the space enclosed will materially detract from its appearance.

I remain
Sir,
Your obedient Servt.
for C.R.E. Bangalore Brigade

TRUE COPY
[illegible]
Clerk, Superintendent's Office,
Madras Division Telegraphs.

Commanding Royal Engineers office
Bangalore Brigade

No 4262

Dated 2 December 1904.

From

Major E.M.R. Hackwell R.E.

Commanding Royal Engineer

Bangalore Brigade

To

The Superintendent of Telegraphs.

Madras Division, Madras.

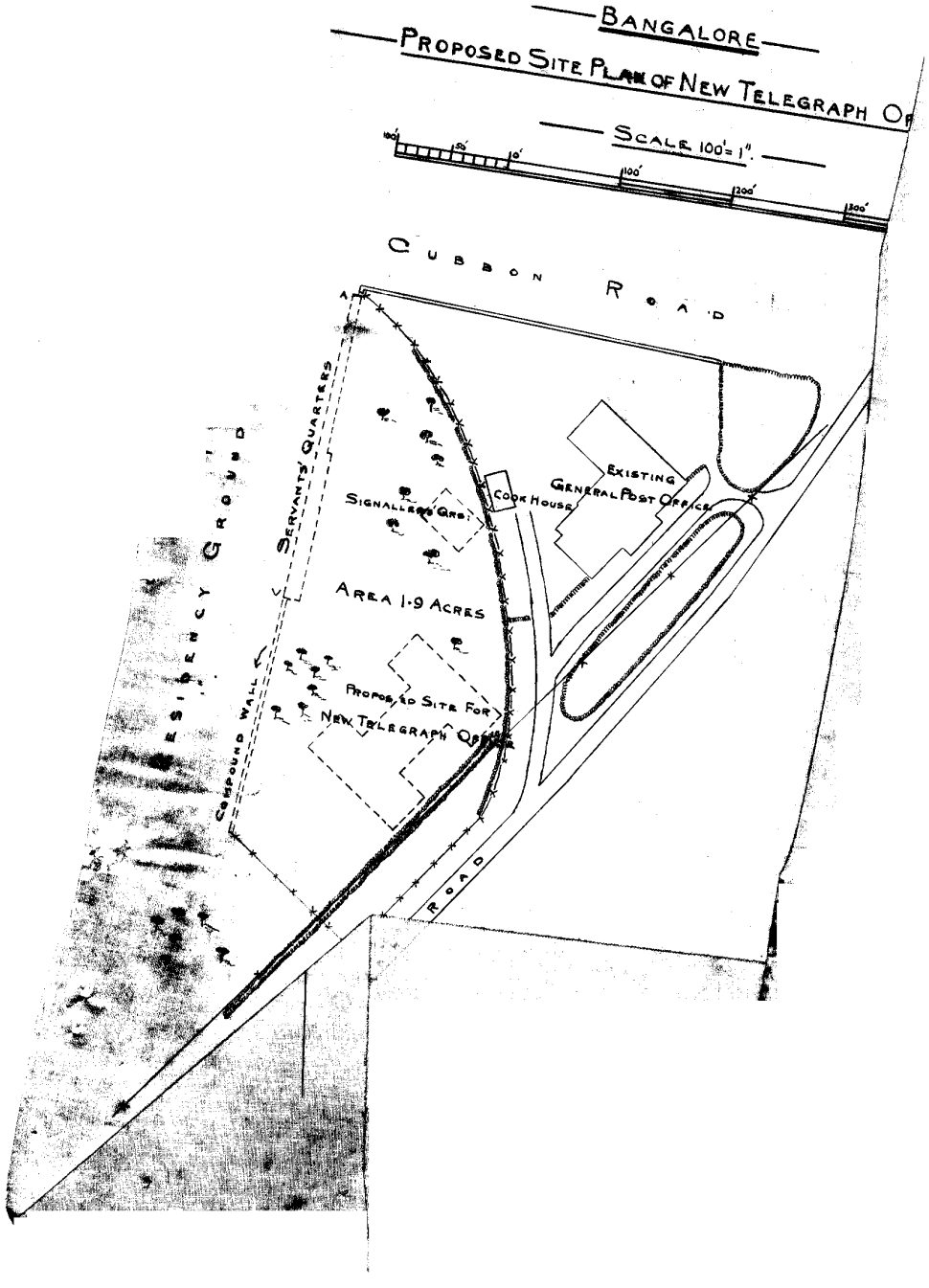
Sir,

Reference your letter No 5885 of 17 November 1904.

I have the honor to forward a revised site plan of proposed New Telegraph office, the buildings of which have been marked out on the ground for inspection.

The extent of ground required has been reduced from nearly 4½ acres to 1.9 acres.

I would request you to draw the attention of the Honble the Resident to the fact that a building of the size of the proposed offices requires a correspondingly large compound and that any further reduction of the


BANGALORE
PROPOSED SITE PLAN OF NEW TELEGRAPH OF
SCALE 100'= 1".
CUBBON ROAD
SERVANTS QUARTERS
SIGNALLERS' QRS.
COOK HOUSE
EXISTING GENERAL POST OFFICE
AREA 1·9 ACRES
PROPOSED SITE FOR NEW TELEGRAPH OFFICE
COMPOUND WALL
RESIDENCY GROUND
ROAD

R. F. B.—3-04.—500.

RESIDENT'S OFFICE.

Serial No.
File No.

[DRAFT.]—For approval.

From

R. C. H. MOSS. KING, Esq., I. C. S.,
1st Assistant to the Resident in Mysore.

No 322
Encl plan d/20th January 1905

To

The Supt. of Telegraphs
Bangalore Div.

Sir,

With reference to the correspondence ending with your letter No 6085 d/6th Dec. 1904, I am directed to forward and return a tracing showing a piece of land belonging to the Residency in the N. W. of the Resy. Compound, and to enquire whether this would be suitable for the Telegraph Department in

(Continuation of Draft),

~~waiting to take up~~
~~Their~~ for the proposed
new Telegraph Line.

I have ch
Sd/ Alm. King
7 AM
C 19-1-05

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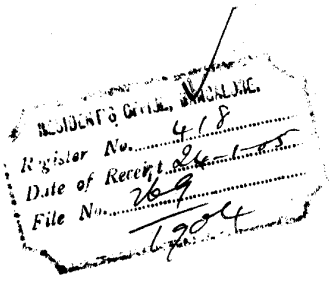
17/1/05



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Z. 67.

Government Telegraph Department.

DIVL. SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE,
Madras Division.

ho 5 Bungalow.
West End Hotel
— 23 1/05.

Dear Mr King

Reg^r 322 of 20 Jany 1905;
as I am up here for a couple of
days, can I come round and see
you some time on Wednesday next;
if so, will you let me know time
& place?
I think it is about many years
since we met, you were at Nagpur
then, weren't you?

Yrs Sincerely
H.S. Pike

L. 32. (½ foolscap).

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PRECIS.

FROM The Superintendent Madras Dn.

TO The First Asst to the Resident in Mysore

No. 7794 Dated 30 January 05.

(Place) Madras

Encs. Recd.

RESIDENT'S OFFICE, BANGALORE.
Register No. 584
Date of Receipt 1-2-05
File No. 263/04

S.9

SIR, With reference to your letter No. 322, dated the 20th of January 1905, I have the honour to inform you that at an interview with the Hon. the Resident I informed him that he site suggested in your above quoted letter would be unfortunately unsuitable for a new Telegraph Office as it would not be central enough.

2. The Hon. the Resident suggested that a piece of ground on the East of St. Marks Church would perhaps be in a suitable position and I am now endeavouring to obtain that, half I understand belongs however to the Ecclesiastical Authorities and half to the Military Authorities.

May be filed

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant
A. Giles
Superintendent,
Madras Division.

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ABSTRACT.

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FROM The Superintendent Madras Du

To The Ferist Asst to the Hon. The Resident in Mysore

No. 714 Dated 13th February 1905.

(Place) Madras

Ences. Recd.

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16/2/05
Vol 9 of January 1904

Sir,

With reference to my letter No. 7194 D/ the 30th January 1905. I have the honor to inform you that the Ecclesiastical Authorities are unwilling to let us have the piece of ground that belongs to them as they themselves wish to have the whole plot suggested by the Hon. the Resident as a suitable place for a new Telegraph office, in order that they themselves may have ground available for a house for the Chaplain to live in

2. Under these circumstances would you kindly let me know whether the Hon. the Resident would not allow us the use of the ground indicated in my 6085 D/ 6.12.04.

I have the honor to be,

Your most obedient servant,

H. Silk

Asst. Superintendent
In charge Madras Division

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OGD—[illegible]—25000

R. P. W.—1-1905.—170.

No. 1256.

From R. C. H. MOSS. KING, Esq., I. C. S.,
FIRST ASSISTANT TO THE RESIDENT IN MYSORE.

To The Superintendent of Telegraphs,
Madras Division.

Dated Bangalore, 1st March 1905.

Sir,

With reference to the correspondence ending with your letter No. 7566, dated the 13th February 1905, I am directed to say that the Resident much regrets that he is unable to give the site in the Residency compound near the Post Office for the use of the Telegraph Department but hopes that he may be able to overcome the scruples of the Ecclesiastical authorities in regard to the site selected near St. Mark's Church.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,
sd R. H. King.
First Assistant Resident.

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24/2/05.

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ABSTRACT.

PRECIS.

FROM The Superintendent Madras Division

To The Joint Assistant to the Resident in Mysore

No. 3034 Dated 7 March 1905

(Place) Madras

Encls. Recd.

CANTT'S OFFICE, MADRAS.
Acknowledgment No. 132
Date of Receipt 9/3/1905
File No. 109
1905

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SIR, With reference to your letter No. 1256 ; dated the 1st March 1905, I have the honour to express my thanks for the trouble the Honourable the Resident in Mysore is taking in the matter and to request that you will kindly let me know whether he has been able to overcome the scruples of the Ecclesiastical authorities in regard to the site near St. Mark's [illegible]

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,
H. B. Pitts
Asst. Superintendent,
Madras Division.

Secretary

To be filed with reference to D.O. correspondence in the confl. cover (1 encl.)

7/3/05

C U P—No 966 T—24 1 1901—100000

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HEADING Cantonments. Lands.

DIVISIONAL STAFF OFFICE, 9TH DIVISION,
SECUNDERABAD, 19th June 1905

No. C. 1750

From

Colonel W. E. G. FORBES, C. B.
Assistant Adjutant-General,
9th (Secunderabad) Division.

Register No. 3300
Date of Receipt 24/6/05
File No. 269/1906
27/6/05

The First Assistant to the Hon'ble
the Resident in Mysore.

SIR,

I am desired to forward herewith an application[x] from the Superintendent, Madras Division, Telegraph Department for the transfer to that Department of a piece of military land at Bangalore required for the purpose of constructing a new Telegraph Office and to request that you will be so good as to inform me whether the Hon'ble the Resident has any objection to place the land applied for at the disposal of the Telegraph authorities.

2. The favour of return of the enclosures with your reply is requested.

[x] No.1379, dated 30-5-05, with 1 tracing.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient servant,

T.D. Irwin Captain, R.E.,
Offg D.A.A.G. for A.A.G. 9th Division,
Geo.W.H.

Letter No. 1379, dated 30th May 1906, from the Superintendent of Telegraphs, Madras Division, to the S.O.C., Bangalore Brigade.

With reference to Letter No.2916, dated the 17th of April 1905, from the Commanding Royal Engineer Bangalore Brigade stating that you have no objection to the transfer to the Telegraph Deptt of a plot of ground to the east of St.Mark's Church, as a site for the proposed new telegraph office I have the honour to request that the sanction of the Government of India to the transfer may kindly be obtained.

2. The proposed site for the new office is partly military and partly ecclesiastical property, as regards that belonging to the latter we have already obtained the sanction of the Ecclesiastical Authorities on certain conditions.

3. The Honourable the Resident in Mysore is in favour of this site being handed over to the Telegraph Department as may be seen from the following extract from letter No.[illegible], dated 6th March 1906, from the Hon'ble the Resident to my address

"With reference to the question of the site near St. Mark's Church Bangalore which we are all agreed would be the best for the new telegraph office, I went there this morning with the Bishop of Madras and the Chaplain"

4. I beg to enclose a plan of the proposed site showing Military and Church lands.

O/C.

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[illegible]—6.05.—1,000

RESIDENT'S OFFICE. 16

Serial No.

File No.

[DRAFT.]—For approval.

From

R. C. H. MOSS. KING, Esq., I. C. S.,
1st Assistant to the Resident in Mysore.

No 3696 Encl 2
3/3d July 1905

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Here under C/1730 of 19. June 1901 from the Asst. Sec. to Govt. of Ind. &c. &c.

Copy of the foregoing letter is forwarded to the Collr. & Dist. Magte. Co & Station. with the request that the Govt. may be informed whether there is any objection to the proposed transfer

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to the Telegraph authorities

7 AGL.

22/4/05

The proposal will apparently involve the closing of Church Street & the alteration of road dividing the Church Land from the Cemetery Land —

Sdy Rm. King
7. A.G.

No. 2007 Enc 2

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6 1,000—3—1—1905.

CIVIL AND MILITARY STATION, BANGALORE,
MUNICIPAL OFFICE.

FROM

P. L. MOORE, ESQUIRE, I. C. S.,
President, Municipal Commission,
C. & M. Station, Bangalore.

DATED 7th August 1905.

To

THE R.C.H.Moss King Esquire, I.C.S.,
First Assistant to the Resident in Mysore,
B a n g a l o r e.

SIR,

S.16 With reference to your endorsement No.3696 dated 3rd ultimo, I have the honor to state that there is no objection to the transfer, as suggested, of the plot of land to the Telegraph Department. Copy of the resolution of the Municipal Commission on the subject is enclosed.

2. Public notices closing the two roads running across the land will issue on receipt of the sanction of the Honorable the Resident under section 75 Bangalore Municipal Law. The road leading to the South Parade Road is a Cantonment Road and that leading to the North Band Promenade Road a Military Road.

3. The tracing forwarded with your endorsement under reply is herewith returned.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

President, Munl. Commission,
C & M Station, Bangalore.

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Abstract of Proceedings of an Ordinary Meeting dated 27th July 1905.

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5. Endorsement No.3696 dated 3rd July 1905, from the First Assistant Resident enquiring if there is any objection to the proposed transfer of a plot of land to the east of St.Mark's Church to the Telegraph Department for construction of a new Telegraph Office.

And the recommendation of the Standing Committee that there is no objection.

Resolved that the recommendation of the Standing Committee be accepted, and that notice issue under the provisions of section 77 Bangalore Municipal Law closing the two trunk roads running across the land proposed to be taken.

(Sd) P.L.Moore
President.

Copy

Secretary.

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R. P. B.—2-07—1,000.

No 2678 Encr
8/21st August 1905

RESIDENT'S OFFICE. 18

Serial No.
File No. 264
1504

[DRAFT.]—For approval.

From

R. C. H. MOSS KING, Esq., I. C. S.,
1st Assistant to the Resident in Mysore.

To

The Assistant Adjutant General
4th (Secunderabad) Division

Sir,

In reply to your letter
No. C/1730 dated the 19th June
1905, I am directed to
state that there is no
objection to the military
land therein referred to
being placed at the disposal
of the Telegraph Authorities.

2. The enclosures of
your letter are herewith
returned.

I have, &c.,

Sd/ R. H. King.
First Asst.

D. 15

Rec. 14/8

4 copies of Sl. No. 15 will be returned,
as also a copy of the map.
Done

A.S.
11/8/05

P. 11/8/05

HEADING Cantonments
Land

DIVISIONAL STAFF OFFICE, 9TH DIVISION,
SECUNDERABAD, 22nd August 1905.

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No. C. 2112

From

Colonel W. E. G. FORBES, C. B.
Assistant Adjutant General,
9th (Secunderabad) Division.

To

The First Assistant to the
Hon'ble the Resident in
MYSORE.

SIR,

I am desired to request that you will be so good as
S.15 to favour me with an early reply to my letter No.C-1730, dated 19
June last, regarding the transfer to the Telegraph Department., o
of a piece of Military Land at Bangalore, required for the purpos
of constructing a new Telegraph Office.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your obedient servant.

for Offg D.A.A.G. for A.A.G. 9th Division.
Captain.R.E.

This reminder crossed the reply which issued on the
21: August 1905 (see W.18).
may be filed.
29/8/05

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Cantonments Lands.

24/11/05

No. 2958 M. W.

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.

MILITARY DEPARTMENT.

Simla, the 19th October 1905.

It is requested that the above heading, with number and date of this communication, may be quoted in any subsequent correspondence on this subject.

To

THE LIEUTENANT-GENERAL COMMANDING SECUNDERABAD DIVISION.

Sir,

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter* No. 2176-C, dated the 29th August 1905, and in reply to say that, in the circumstances represented, the Government of India sanction the occupation by the Telegraph Department of the plot of military land at Bangalore, shown on the plan forwarded, which is required as a site for a new telegraph office.

* Enclosures, including one plan, returned.

RESIDENT'S OFFICE, Bangalore.
Register No. 6029
Date of receipt 30/10/1905
Date Reg. 26/10/05

I have, &c.,

(Sd.) R. F. G. BOND, *Captain, R.E.,*

for *Secy. to the Govt. of India.*

Copy of the above forwarded, for information, to—

The Foreign Department.

The Hon'ble the Resident in Mysore, with reference to his letter No. 4678, dated the 21st August 1905, from First Assistant to the Assistant Adjutant-General, Secunderabad Division.

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The Quartermaster-General in India, with reference to his endorsement No. 2493-B, dated the 12th September 1905.

By order,

R. F. G. Bond Captain R.E.

Offg. Asst. Secy. to the Govt. of India.

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G. C. Press, Simla.—No. 1648 M. D.—21-10-05.—148.—J. K.

R. P. B.—8-05.—1,000

RESIDENT'S OFFICE. 21

Serial No.

File No. 269
1905

[D R A F T .]—For approval.

No 6393 d/ 3rd November 1905

From

R. C. H. MOSS KING, Esq., I. C. S.,
1st Assistant to the Resident in Mysore.

To

The President, Municipal Commissioners, Cantonment
Bangalore

Sir,

With reference to your letter No. 200 dated the 7th August 1905, I am directed to state that the Govt. of India have sanctioned the occupation by the Telegraph Department of the plot of military land at Bangalore which is required as a site for a new telegraph office.

2. As regards paragraph 2 of your letter, I am to point out that no action appears

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appears to be called for ~~is called necessary~~ under Section 75 of the Bangalore Municipal Law, 1897 - The roads in question being on military land, are not apparently vested in the municipal Commissioners under Section 73 of that Law -

I have, etc,

Sd/ R. H. King.
First Asst. Resident

KJ.
21/10/05

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6 1,000—26—9—1905.

No. 3448

CIVIL AND MILITARY STATION, BANGALORE,

MUNICIPAL OFFICE.

DATED 13th November 1905.

FROM

P. L. MOORE, ESQUIRE, I. C. S.,

President, Municipal Commission,

C. & M. Station, Bangalore.

To

R.C.H.Moss King Esquire, I.C.S.,

First Assistant to the Resident in Mysore,

B a n g a l o r e.

RESIDENT'S OFFICE, BANGALORE.
Register No. 6450
Date of Receipt 15/11/1905
File No. 204
1905

Sir,

With reference to your letter No.6393 dated 3rd instant, I have the honor to enquire if the roads referred to in my letter No.2007 dated the 7th August last may be handed over to the Sub-Assistant Superintendent of Telegraphs, Bangalore.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

President, Mnl. Commission,
C & M Station, Bangalore.

A reply may be sent in the affirmative.
Sample is sent for approval.

16/11/05 16/11/05

R. P. B.—8-05.—1,000

RESIDENT'S OFFICE.

Serial No. 23

File No. 269

[D R A F T .]—For approval. 1904

No 6788 d/18th November 05 From

R. C. H. MOSS KING, Esq., I. C. S.,
1st Assistant to the Resident in Mysore.

To The President, Municipal Commissioner
& ex-officio Station of Bangalore

Sir,

In reply to your letter
No. 3446 dated the 13th November
1905, I am directed to state
that there is no objection
to the roads therein referred
to being made over to the
Telegraph Department.

I have, etc.,

Sd/ R. H. King
First Asstt to Resident

H.J.
16/11/05

16/11/05

R. P. B.—6-06.—200.

RESIDENT'S OFFICE.

Serial No. 24
File No. 269
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[D R A F T.]—For approval.

From

R. C. H. MOSS KING, Esq., I. C. S.,
1st Assistant to the Resident in Mysore.

No 3835 dy 5th July 1906.

Dear Sir

Will you please refer to the correspondence ending with your letter No. 80 30 07 the 7th March 1905 regarding the new Telegraph Office in Bangalore.

Mr. Moses with me would be glad to know whether it has been finally decided to build the new office on the plot of military land the occupation of which by the Telegraph Department has been sanctioned by the Govt. of India.

Yours sincerely
Sd/ R. C. H. King.

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R. 20.

C 5/7 To The Supt. of Telegraphs, Mysore Division.

A.J. 4/7/06 P.S/7/06

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ABSTRACT.

PRECIS.

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FROM The superintendent of Telegraphs
Madras Division

To The 1st Assistant Resident
in Mysore

No. 2362 Dated 11th J u l y 1906

(Place) Madras /Kilpauk

Encs. Recd.

Registry 3857
Date of Rec. 16/7/1906
File No. 269
1904

With reference to your Demi official letter No. 3835 dated the 5th of July 1906, I have the honor to reply that it has been finally decided to build the new Telegraph office on the site in question but the building has been delayed this year for want of funds.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obedient servant

Superintendent
Madras Division

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G. & P.—No. 134 T.—28. 8. 1906—2,000.

R. P. B.—8-06.—1,000.

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No. 749

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1906

From

P. L. Nunn Esqre, I.C.S.
1st Assistant to the Resident in Mysore.

No 5701
7th Sept. 06

To The Brigade Major,
Bangalore Brigade.

Sir,

I am directed to state that a new Central Telegraph Office is to be built in Bangalore in the next financial year, and that the Govt of India have, in Military Depts Letter No 2958. M.D. of the 19th October 1905, sanctioned for the purpose the plot of Military Land to the east of St Mark's Church.

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2. The site in question forms an open park-like space by St Mark's Church, opening a vista between the Parade Ground and the grounds of the Bowring Institute and is aimed, in the opinion of

aft)

this Residence

to the usual

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space which even now is beautified

by wea-grown trees and forms practically

an enclave of the Residence and

which is capable of considerable

improvement as a setting to St. Mark's

Church. The objection to the site

will be further intensified owing

to the nature of the building proposed,

which is to include residential

quarters for the Telegraph staff, with

the necessary concomitant of servants'

bedrooms, Latrines, etc, the screening of

which will entail the construction

of a high & unsightly wall.

Mr. Fraser has ascertained

from the Telegraph Dept. that this

site is by no means a perfect

one from the point of view of their

official requirements, and that

they will be glad to give it up

if another site can be substituted

after

(Continuation of Draft.)

After carefully inquiring the Resident is driven to the conclusion that the best and in fact the only site available within the Cantonment is the open plot of ground facing the Quarter Guard of the Rifles which at present, it is believed, is used by that Regiment as a hockey ground - but Government is unwilling to ask the Military Authorities to surrender any of the land allotted to their use, but he thinks that the General Officer Commanding will agree with him in condemning the proposal to build on the space by St Saviour's Church, and in recognizing the suitability from the public point of view of the alternative site now suggested, which is central, contiguous to the Post Office and adapted for the requirements of the Telegraph Department

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(Continuation of Draft).

4 In these circumstances, I am to express a hope that the G.O.C. will see his way to enabling the Land" which is at present used as a hockey ground the Engineer's Rifles available for the purposes of the Telegraph Battn.

I have, etc.

Offr. 1st Mr. Rendell.

H.
4/9/'06

4/9/06.

R. P. B.—8-06.—1,000.

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RESIDENT'S OFFICE.

Serial No.
File No. 269/04

[D R A F T .]—For approval.

From

P. L. Moore Esqre, I.C.S.
Offg. 1st Assistant to the Resident in Mysore.

No. 5410
22nd Sept. 06.

To A. W. Sinclair Esqre.
No. 3 Museum Road,
Bangalore.

Sir,

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated the 5th September 1906, offering on sale your house, No. 3, Museum Road, for the proposed new Central Telegraph Office at Bangalore.

I have, etc.,

Offg. 1st Asst. Resident

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Rd.
20/9/06

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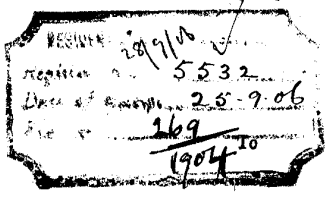
SUBJECT

No. 6047.

Office of A.C.R.E., BANGALORE BRIGADE.

Station BANGALORE, *Date* 24th September 1906.

FROM



Lieut.H. E. Day, R.E.,
Offg.A.C.R.E., BANGALORE BRIGADE,

THE FIRST ASSISTANT to the
Hon'ble the RESIDENT in MYSORE,
BANGALORE.

Sir,

With reference to your letter No.5101 dated 7th Septr; 1906 to the address of the Brigade Major, Bangalore Brigade regarding the transfer of a plot of land to the Telegraph Department as a site for a new Telegraph Office at Bangalore, I am directed by the G.O.C.Bangalore Brigade, to enclose a copy of my No.2242 dated 22nd June 1904, and to state that the objections which were raised to the handing over of the site asked for still exist.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant,

Harold R Day
Lt.R.E.,
Offg.A.C.R.E., BANGALORE BRIGADE.

F.R.M

1 Copy of letter.

O G P—No 1191 I A Z—11 9 10.5—3/06

Copy of a letter No.2242 dated 22nd June 1904, from the C.R.E.,Bangalore District, to the Superintendent, Madras Divn:, Telegraph Department.

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In answer to your letter No.819 dated 2nd May 1904, I am directed by the G.O.C.Bangalore ~~Brigade~~ Dist. to say that there are certain objections to the giving up of the plot of land you propose as a site for the new Telegraph Office.

2. I am to suggest that a convenient site might possibly be obtained in the Residency grounds close alongside the General Post Office.

F.R.M

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o/c

N° 5643

THE RESIDENT MYSORE

BANGALORE.
5th Octr 06

Recd Talbot

In the matter of a site for a new Telegraph Office building
S.27. in Bangalore the Resident made a representation to the Military authorities, but they have stated that the objections which were
S.30 raised in 1904 to giving up the ground facing the quarter guard of the Napiers Rifles still exist.

2. I am desired to forward for your consideration a copy
S.28 of a letter dated the 5th September 1906 from Mr.Saalfelt offering his house site (No. 3 Museum Road) for the proposed new Telegraph
S.28 A Office. It has been ascertained that this house was purchased by him in August 1906 for Rs.7100/- Mr. Fraser would be glad if you could arrange to see the site and give your opinion on its suitability. If you will let me know when you will be in Bangalore I would arrange to see the site with you.

Yours sincerely
Sd/ R K Moore.

C.W.Talbot Esquire,
Superintendent of Telegraphs,
Madras Division.

hh Sdy A.S. 10.4.06 Sdy R.S.T 09.4.06

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Gratis—Departments.
Payment—Corps.

SUBJECT. No. 6686

Office of A.C.R.E., Bangalore Brigade,

Station Bangalore, *Date* 22nd October 1906.

FROM

Lieut: Col: O.M.R.Thackwell, R.E.,

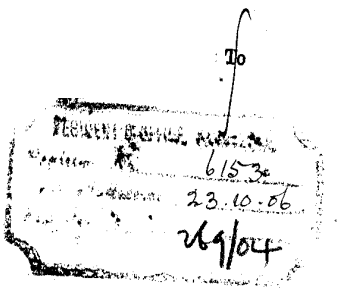
A.C.R.E., Bangalore Brigade.

To

THE First Assistant to the

Hon'ble the Resident in Mysore,

Bangalore.



Sir,

In continuation of my No.6047 of 24th September 1906 regarding the site for the New Telegraph Office, I am directed by the G.O.C., Bangalore Brigade to say that his objections to recommending the transfer to the Telegraph Department of the plot of Military land opposite the General Post Office, and now used as a Parade and Hockey ground by the troops, would be removed, provided arrangements --- could be made to hand over to the Military Dept. in exchange, Miller's Tank No.3 (adjoining the West Hutting Native Infantry Lines) filled up and levelled so as to be available for use as a Parade ground. It is understood that this tank is now in Municipal charge and that an estimate for filling the tank has already been prepared.

2. I am to add that the Military land in this station is already inadequate for Military requirements, and General Scallon is therefore unable to recommend any

O G P—No. 1141 A 2—11-9-05—5000

N°6093 O/C

Bangalore, 26-10-1906.

Dear Talbot,

With reference to correspondence relating to the proposed new telegraph office I am directed to say that the Resident still hopes to find a suitable site in place of that by St. Mark's Church, and trusts, therefore, that the Telegraph Department will take no action to commence building without giving him the earliest intimation possible.

Yours sincerely,

Sd/- F.P.Rennie

O/C.

reduction of its present area.

I have the honour to be,

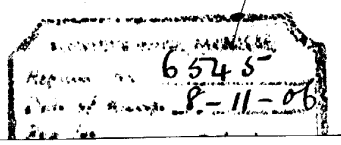
Sir,

Your Most Obedient Servant,

Shackwell

Lt: Col:

A.C.R.E., Bangalore Brigade.



Bangalore
6th Nov. 1906.

My dear Fraser.

Sir Charles Ingerton
has supported our
scheme for draining
Millers Tank and
to take over the

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12/11

Bangalore
5th Dec 1906

Dear Mr Fraser

I enclose a letter I intended publishing in the Daily Post regarding a resolution passed at the meeting of the Municipal Commissioners on the 29th of last month, but in thinking over the matter I decided it would be better to send it to you direct

Yrs very truly
S Shanmugam

The Hon'ble Stuart Fraser
Resident in Mysore

The Editor,

Daily Post.

Dear Sir,

Please allow me to make a few remarks in the "Daily Post" in regard to the proceedings of the Municipal Commission at their monthly meeting on the 29th ultimo.

The most important subject discussed was the proposal of the President to give Miller's Tank No.3 to the military department in exchange for a site for the proposed new Telegraph Office on the parade ground near the General Post Office.

The President admitted on enquiry that the Commission had nothing to do with providing a site for the Telegraph Office, he admitted also that the tank was the property of the Municipality vide section 73 of the Municipal Law, but as it was not used now, it would be as well to give it away.

I pointed out that the tank had cost the Municipality several lacs meaning of course several thousands of rupees, that it had saved the Municipality and the garrison from water famine on several occasions, and that should accident happen to the machinery or pipes of the New Water Supply it would do so again. As regards sanitation--I never heard a complaint against it until it was allowed to run dry or left with only a few pools here and there in the bed. I pointed out also that if it were kept full of water or even half or quarter full the grass and plants would be kept covered, and there would be no pool in which poisonous musquitoes could lodge and breed; a slight current might be maintained to prevent stagnation and to flush the main sewer as originally intended, and so much pipe water saved as is now used for that purpose.

Mr. Johnson did not approve of the proposed site for the Telegraph Office, he did not care what became of the tank.

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Now comes the question--was the vote legal, Section 75 of the Municipal Law Rules, that the Commission may with the sanction of the Resident transfer to His Majesty any property vasting in the Commission but not so as to affect any trusts or rights subject to which the property is held."

The sanction of the Resident was not so far as the elected commissioners know ever applied for, and if objections to the giving away of the property are called for, it will probably be found that a great many people will be unwilling to part with it.

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J. E. O'Shaughnessey

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1st December 1906.

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J. E. O'Shaughnessey

Bangalore.

1st December 1906.

R. P. B.—11-06.—1,000.

RESIDENT'S OFFICE.

Serial No. 36
File No. 269/'04

[D R A F T .]—For approval.

From

F. P. RENNIE, Esq., I. C. S.,
1st Assistant to the Resident in Mysore.

To—

No. 7188.
19th Dec. 06.

8.38

I am desired to acknowledge with thanks the receipt of your letter dated the 5th December 1906 regarding the proposal to give Millers Tank No. 3 to the Military Department in exchange for a site for a new Telegraph Office in Bangalore, and to say that the Resident will be happy to see you about the matter if you care to call after Mr. Fraser's return from Calcutta.

Very truly
Sd/ F P Rennie

J. D'Silva Esqre
Bangalore

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Payment—Corps.

SUBJECT _____ No. 7983

Office of A.C.R.E. Bangalore Bde.

Station Bangalore, Date 15 December '06,

FROM Lt. Col. O'M.R. Thackwell, R.E.,
A.C.R.E. Bangalore Bde.

To THE First Assistant to the
Hon. the Resident in Mysore,
Bangalore.

SE 32

Will you kindly favour me with a reply to my No. 6686 of 22nd October 1906, regarding site proposed for the new Telegraph Office at Bangalore.

O'M Thackwell
Lt Col.
A.C.R.E. Bangalore Bde.

Submit as intimated copy in No.
for approval.
19/12/06

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R. P. B.—11-06.—1,000.

RESIDENT'S OFFICE.

Serial No. 38
File No. 267
04

[D R A F T .]—For approval.

From

F. P. RENNIE, Esq., I. C. S.,
1st Assistant to the Resident in Mysore.

No. 7208
21st Dec. 06

To The Assistant Commanding
Royal Engineer,
Bangalore Brigade.

Sir,

B.32

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 6686 dated the 22nd October 1906 & reminder No. 7983 of the 15th December 1906, regarding a site for the new Telegraph Office at Bangalore, & to say that the matter is under consideration. A further communication will be made to you on the Resident's return from Calcutta.

I have, &c.,

Sd/ F. P. Rennie
First Asst to Resident

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No. 4379 Enc 1 CIVIL AND MILITARY STATION, BANGALORE,

MUNICIPAL OFFICE.

DATED 20 December 1906.

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P. L. MOORE, ESQUIRE, I. C. S.,
President, Municipal Commission,
C. & M. Station, Bangalore.

To

L. P. Rennie Esquire I. C. S.
First Assistant to the Honable
the Resident in Mysore.
Bangalore

SIR,

I have the honor to invite a reference to the correspondence on the improvement of Millers tanks, ending with your letter No. 4040 dated 17 July 1906.

Hoj 7 (H 12) 7.1.459.2. 1907

According to the latest scheme, the cost of improvement of these tanks amounts to Rs 5562/- as below:—

Draining Millers Tank No. 2 ..... Rs 840/-
" No 3 ..... 1698/-
Pond south of Thimmiah Rs ... 957/-
Pond north of Thimmiah Road .. 2067/-
5562/-

3. Being unable to carry out these projects with the funds at their disposal the

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Abstract of Proceedings of an Ordinary Meeting

29th November 1906.

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2. Proposition by the President that Miller's Tank No.III be handed over to the Military Department in exchange for the plot of Military land opposite the Genral Post Office, required for a new central Telegraph Office.

And the opinion of the Standing Committee that the proposition be put to the Commission.

Proposed by the president and seconded by Mr.Bride that the Resident be informed that Miller's Tank No.III, as it stands, be handed over to the Military Department without spending anything on it, in exchange for the plot of Military land opposite the General Post Office, required for a new Central Telegraph Office.

Resolution: Carried, voting for 9-against 7, one of whom, Mr.O'Shaughnessy, protested that the transfer of the tank by the Municipality is against section 73 of the Bangalore Municipal Law.

(Sd) P.L.Moore

President.

Copy.

[illegible] Secretary

the Municipality have addressed the Military department and the Madras Railway Co asking them to contribute towards the cost and the question is still pending disposal.

4. As in the meantime I understood that the Military Dept would be willing to take Millers tank No 3 in exchange for the plot of Military land opposite the General Post office required by the Telegraph Dept for the erection of a new Telegraph office. I proposed to the Commission that the tank might be handed over to the Military authorities. I explained to the Commission that such transfer would not only secure a desirable site for the Telegraph office but would also relieve the Municipality of the necessity of keeping the tank in a sanitary condition. There was a division of opinion as to the advisability of handing over the tank as proposed, but the Commission by 9 votes against 7 passed the resolution. Hy C & 32 of 16 267/04

5. I forward copy of this resolution for favor of sanction by the Honable the Resident under section 75 of the B.M. Act 1897.

6. I would suggest that the General Officer Commanding be informed that the Commission are not in a position to spend any money on the Lands at present We have already done a great deal for the health of that part of the station Since april last we have :-

(1) built a 'pucka' Main sewer from the road to the main sewer in the Bazar at a cost of Rs 5948/.

(2) closed the sewage Wells in the Vicinity

(3) built new drains in the portion of Blackpally adjoining the Military lines at a cost of Rs 1700/.

I have the honor to be
Sir.
Your most obedient Servant.

President, Municipal Commission
Civil & Military Station Secunderabad.

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No. 421 E—1

FROM

F. P. RENNIE, ESQ., I. C. S.,
FIRST ASSISTANT TO THE RESIDENT IN MYSORE.

To

The Assistant Commanding Royal Engineer,
Bangalore Brigade.

Dated Bangalore, 26th January 1907.

SIR,

In continuation of my letter No. 7208, dated the 21st December 1906, regarding a site for the new Telegraph Office at Bangalore, I am directed to forward herewith a copy of the Resolution of the Municipal Commission of the Civil and Military Station, Bangalore, transferring Miller's Tank No.III as it stands to the Military authorities in exchange for the plot of Military land opposite the General Post Office required for a new Telegraph Office and to say that, in the Resident's opinion, the objection of the Commission to incurring any expenditure for the reclamation of the tank is reasonable in view of the large sums already expended by the Municipality in that neighbourhood for the provision of a 'pucka' main sewer at a cost of Rs5,94$ for the closure of the sewage wells, and for the construction of new drains in the portion of Blackpully adjoining the Military lines at a cost of Rs 1707.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

Sd/ F. P. Rennie

First Assistant Resident.

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Gratis—Departments.
Payment—Corps.

No. 1904

SUBJECT

Office of A.C.R.E., BANGALORE BRIGADE.

Station BANGALORE, Date 2nd March 1907.

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4-3-07
2694/04

FROM Lieut.Col.O.M.R.Thackwell, R.E.,
A.C.R.E., BANGALORE BRIGADE,

To THE FIRST ASSISTANT to the
Hon.the RESIDENT in MYSORE,
BANGALORE.

Sir,

Mg A S.40 In answer to your letter No.421 dated 26th January'07, regarding a site for the New Telegraph Office at Bangalore, I am directed by the G.O.C.Bangalore Brigade to say that,as the Municipal Commission are unable to meet, or even share, the cost of reclamation of Miller's Tank No.III, he regrets that he is unable to concur in the transfer to the Civil authorities of the plot of land opposite the Quarter Guard of the West Hutting Lines which the Resident desires to acquire as a site for the New Telegraph Office.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant,

O Thackwell Lt.Col.
A.C.R.E., BANGALORE BRIGADE.

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All communications to be addressed to the Director-General of Military Works

No. 1034 B

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MILITARY WORKS SERVICES.

Simla, the 26th February 1907.

From

Major-General H. W. Duperier,
Director-General of Military Works,

To

The Hon'ble the Resident in Mysore,

Bangalore.

New Telegraph Office
at Bangalore.

Sir,

I have the honour to ask your assistance in settling the question of a site for the above at an early date, as funds for the new building have been entered in the budget for next year, and it is desirable the work should be taken in hand as soon as possible.-

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

J. Williams

Lt. Col., R.E.,

for Director General of Military Work

(M.R.26.2.07)

Enclosure.

Nil.

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No. 2308.

FROM

F. P. RENNIE, ESQ., I. C. S.,
FIRST ASSISTANT TO THE RESIDENT IN MYSORE.

To

The Director-General,
Military Works.

Dated Bangalore, 14th March 1907.

SIR,

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No.1034-B, dated the 26th February 1907, regarding the construction of a new building for the Telegraph Office at Bangalore, and, in reply, am to convey the following remarks.

2. The site originally selected which formed part of a plot of ground adjoining St.Mark's Church was clearly undesirable in the Resident's opinion for two reasons. Affording as it does a vista between the Parade ground and the grounds of the Bowring Institute it would in the first place be a permanent injury to the appearance and amenities of the Civil and Military Station to block this open space which even now is beautified by well grown trees and forms practically an enclave to the Maidan, and is besides capable of considerable improvement as a setting to the Church. Secondly it was felt that the objection to the site would be further intensified owing to the nature of the proposed building which is to include residential quarters for the Telegraph staff with the necessary concomitant of servant's godowns, latrines, &c., the screening of which would

entail the construction of a high and unsightly wall. Having them ascertained from the Telegraph Department that the site was by no means a perfect one from the point of view of their special requirements, and that they would be glad to give it up if another site could be substituted, and after careful enquiry, the Resident came to the conclusion that the best, and in fact the only Government site available within the Civil and Military Station was the open plot of ground ~~the Quarter-Guard~~ adjoining the Central Post Office facing the Quarter-Guard of the Napier's Rifles which was formerly ~~used as~~ a parade ground, and is now used by that Regiment as a Hockey ground. The local Military authorities, to whom the position was explained, were accordingly asked if this ground could be made available for the purposes of the Telegraph Department ~~and after raising certain objections withdrew them~~ and they finally consented to entertain the proposal on the condition that the so called Miller's Tank No.3, in the possession of the Municipality should be given to them in exchange, duly filled up and levelled so as to be available for use as a Parade ground. The Municipal Commission agreed to surrender the tank without material return in order to ~~save the appearance of~~ preserve the St.Mark's Church site as an open space, but as they had, as a matter of fact, already sanctioned a considerable outlay in effecting sanitary improvements in the neighbourhood of the tank and were ~~therefore~~ not in a position to spend any more money for its reclamation, they expressed their unwillingness to drain the tank in addition to ~~re~~surrendering it. The Military authorities have accordingly withdrawn their offer of the transfer of the disused parade ground to the Telegraph Department and so the matter now rests.

3. The Resident, ~~however~~, wishes to view this question not from any departmental standpoint but solely in the interests of the Civil and Military Station as a whole, in which the Military population as well as the Civil are concerned, although the latter, as containing a larger number of permanent residents in Bangalore may doubtless feel more deeply ~~in~~ the ~~matter~~ subject. The new Telegraph office having, if possible, to be built on Government land in order to avoid expenditure on a site, that land can be obtained

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only by the transfer from one of the Departments, e.g., Military or Ecclesiastical, of such portion of areas under their control as can be spared from the departmental purposes for which they have been allotted by Government. In such a case, where a sacrifice has to be made by some Department, each Department naturally and no doubt properly tries to make a bargain for itself, but the determining consideration for the Government of India in deciding between the rival protestants should not be the Resident ventures to think, the relative powers of resistence of the Departments concerned, but solely the questions (1) which is the best site for the purpose in view ? and (ii) which site can Government best spare ?

4. With regard to point (1) the site adjoining St.Mark's Church is the most central, but it is less roomy and the creation of a big block of buildings, which is to include residential quarters for the staff with servants' godown , offices, &c ,in a site bounded by the Church compound and the Bowring Institute would not merely spoil, as already stated, the amenities of one of the lungs of Bangalore, but would be a sanitary nuisance to the neighbourhood. The old Parade ground which adjoins the Central Post Office, on the other hand, although about ¾ mile further from the centre of the Station, is more spacious, and while offering a frontage which would be adorned by the erection of a fine public building, abuts behind on a corner of the Cubbon Park to which no public inconvenience would be caused by the proximity of residential quarters.

5. As regards the question (ii), I am to say that the reasons why the St.Mark's church site cannot be spared in the interests of the public have already been stated in paragraph 2 of this letter. The old Parade ground, on the other hand, it is believed,is no longer needed for parades, and the Maidan provides ample space for hockey, the purpose for which it is now occassionally used. Nor is it believed that the Military Authorities contemplate utilizing it for building purposes.

6. In these circumstances, I am to add that it cannot, in

Mr.

Mr.Fraser's opinion, he doubted what position should be selected for the new Telegraph Office, and that he ventures to think that the justice of this decision on the merits would not be questioned even by the Department which would have to find the required land.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Sd/- F. P. Rennie

First Assistant Resident.

1907 (6)

Registered No. 1348
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File No. 266/04

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Gratis—Departments.
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No. 1508

SUBJECT _____

Office of A.C.R.E., BANGALORE BRIGADE.

Station BANGALORE, *Date* 9th March 1907.

FROM

Lieut.Col.O.M.R.Thackwell, R.E.

A.C.R.E., BANGALORE BRIGADE,

To

THE FIRST ASSISTANT to the

Hon.the RESIDENT in MYSORE,

BANGALORE.

Sir,

With reference to correspondence ending with my No. 1304 dated 2nd March 1907, I am directed by the Director General of Military Works to request that an early decision may be arrived at as to the site for the proposed Telegraph Office.

2. The scheme must remain at a standstill, until the question of the site is settled, as upon this must depend the style of the building to be erected, and consequently the preparation of the estimates for it.

I have the honour to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient

O Thackwell Lt.Col.
A.C.R.E., BANGALORE BRIGADE.

The last letter on the subject was to the Director General of Building Works. It has now to be seen how the G.P.O. will decide. Copy of letter to D. Steel may be sent BACK.

H.P.R.

19/3/37

R. P. B.—1-07.—1,000.

RESIDENT'S OFFICE.

Serial No. 45
File No. 269/07

[D R A F T.]—For approval.

From

F. P. RENNIE, Esq., I. C. S.,
1st Assistant to the Resident in Mysore.

~~To~~

No. 2578 S/27 March 1907.

Hy A 1.43.

[Here enter letter No. 2308 of 14 March 1907 to the Director General, M & W]

Copy of the foregoing letter is forwarded to the A.C.R.S., Bangalore Bazaar, for information with reference to this letter No. 1508 S/7 dated 9 March 1907.

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for
First Asst to Resident.

A.S.
18/3/07

E. F. B.—8-07.—71,000.

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RESIDENT'S OFFICE.

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Serial No.
File No. 469
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[D R A F T .]—For approval.

From

F. P. RENNIE, Esq., I. C. S.,
1st Assistant to the Resident in Mysore.

No. 2814 dt 5th April 1907

To The Director General,
Military Works.

Sir,

469 8.43

In continuation of my letter No. 2308 dated the 14th March 1907, regarding the construction of new building for the Telegraph Office at Hongalore, I am directed to say that, the General Officer commanding the Hongalore Brigade has definitely stated that the military land in this station is inadequate for military requirement, & that in face of that assurance, the Offg. Resident thinks it is not unreasonable that the Department for Mysore

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whose duties it is suggested that the area of military land should be still further reduced should at any rate contribute to the cost of rendering suitable for military purposes a further area which is at present, owing to natural conditions, useless. There is reason to suppose that the Telegraph Dept at one time were not indisposed to give a sum of £6000/- for a site, & if that amount could be made available by that Department as a contribution towards the expense of draining & levelling Miller's Tank, No. 3, it would be an equitable arrangement which would Mr Williams has reason to believe, be acceptable to the Military authorities in Bangalore & settle finally this long pending question.

Yours etc,

[illegible]

First Asst Resident

Ad 4/4/07 Rd 4/4/07

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All communications to be addressed to the Director-General of Military Works.

No. 3166-B

MILITARY WORKS SERVICES.

Simla, the 3rd July 07

From

Major-General H. W. Duperier,
Director-General of Military Works,

The First Assistant to the Resident in Mysore,

Bangalore.

New Telegraph Office, Bangalore.-

Sir,

In reply to your letter No. 4339 dated 19th. June 1907, I have the honour to state that the General Officer Commanding, 9th. Division, has approved of the proposal made in your letter No. 2308, dated 14th. March 1907, that the New Telegraph Office at Bangalore should be built on the open plot of ground adjoining the Central Post Office, now used as a Hockey ground by the Indian Infantry, and that Millers' Tank No. 3 should be filled up and levelled for use as a parade ground for the troops at the expense of the State.

2. The Commanding Royal Engineer, 9th (Secunderabad) Division hopes to submit the necessary estimate for constructing the new Telegraph Office on the proposed site by the middle of July 1907.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Colonel,

For Director General of Military Works.

J.H.M./2/7

R. P. B.—6-07.—1,000.

No 4732

dated 12th July 1907

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S OFFICE. 48

Serial No.
File No. 269/04

[D For approval.

From

F. P. RENNIE, Esq., I. C. S.,
1st Assistant to the Resident in Mysore.

To

The President, Municipal Commission,
C & M Station of Bangalore.

Sir,

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No.1319, d/- the 13th June 1907, and, in reply, to intimate that the General Officer Commanding, 9th Division, has approved of the proposal made by the Resident that the new Telegraph Office at Bangalore should be built on the open plot of ground adjoining the Central Post Office, now used as a Hockey ground by the Napier's Rifles, and that Miller's Tank No.3 should be filled up and levelled for use as a Parade Ground by that Regiment at the expense of the State. The Resolution passed at the meeting of the Municipal Commission held on the ~~4th~~ 29th Novr 1906 in regard to the transfer of Miller's Tank No.3 to the Military Deptt is hereby sanctioned under Section 75 of the Bangalore Municipal Law, ~~1907~~ 1897.

I have &c.,
Sd/ F. P. Rennie
1st Asstt Resr.

9/7/07

R. P. B.—6-07.—1,000.

RESIDENT'S OFFICE.

Serial No. 49
File No. 264/04

[D R A F T .]—For approval.

From

F. P. RENNIE, Esq., I. C. S.,
1st Assistant to the Resident in Mysore.

No 4733

Dated 12th July 1907

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To

[Here enter Letter N 3166-B-7 3rd July 1907 from the Director General of Military Works]

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(Copy of the foregoing letter is forwarded to the A.C.R.E., Bangalore Brigade, in continuation of this office endorsement N. 2578 of the 27th March 1907.

D. 45.

for
First Asst. Resident.

H.P.
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OFFICE OF THE POSTMASTER-GENERAL,

MADRAS CIRCLE.

MEMORANDUM No. CO-583. 1—3

Dated Madras *the* ~~February~~ 1917.

The telegraph branch of the Bangalore combined head office was closed on the 25th February, 1917(afternoon). The Shoolay post office was converted into a non-guaranteed (local) combined post and telegraph office on the 26th February, 1917, with Bangalore as the transit or handing over office. The -- telegraph branch of the new office observes the following working hours:-

Ordinary days - 7 to 20

Sundays & Holidays - Closed.

2. A copy of this memo is forwarded to -

(1) the Deputy Accountant-General, Telegraph Check -- Office, Calcutta, for information;

(2) " Superintendent, Telegraph Engineering, Bangalore Division, for information;

(3) " First Assistant to the Resident in Mysore for information; and

(4) " Superintendent, Central Telegraph Office, Madras, for information.

for Postmaster-General.

Docs.accg:-

Nil.

C.N.

F. F.—27-3-13.—Regr. No. 63 of 09-10.

B. P.B.—6-1904.—1,000.

RESIDENT'S OFFICE.

Note Sheet.

File No.

Letter No. *dated*

from

SUBJECT.

Site for new Telegraph Office

Sir — Please have the two S/Os below specified and sent to me for signature. The recommendations had better be kept confidential at present.

Yours

6/3.

E. P. E.—6-1904.—2,000.

RESIDENT'S OFFICE.

Note Sheet.

File No. 269/1904

~~Letter No.~~ V.O dated 27—3—05

from Mr. H.S. Pike. Supdt. of Telegraphs, Somaliland

SUBJECT.

Site for a new telegraph office

Resident writes:-

"Papers please about the new telegraph office"

(sd) J.H.B.
29/3.

Submitted

29/3/05 Approved below and return here for despatch to the Chaplain. Then consider what will be the next step we should take. If we can settle the difficulty between the Ecclesiastical and Tel. Depts I suppose there should be no difficulty (query under the Land Acquisition Act?) either by the Resident or the Director of Telegraphs.

Returned
Send the plot to Mr. Pike after dec.
H.

R. P. B.—9-1904.—2,000.

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RESIDENT'S OFFICE.

Note Sheet.

File No. 269/04

Letter No. *dated*

from

SUBJECT.

New telegraph Office

Resident's orders are :-

Office - Let me have the file about the new telegraph Office."

File No. 269 of 1904 is submitted.

1-12-05

With reference to the Resi's remarks at Hay A, no action under the Land Acquisition Act is necessary in case of transfer of land from one Dept. of Govt. to another. The provisions of that Act should be resorted to only in case of acquisition of land from private parties

paper 2 of 11 notes

In the present instance a letter from the Evil Dept
authorizing the transfer is required
In this connection attention is
invited to the correspondence in
file 210/1901 ending with S. 8. relating
to the transfer of a plot of land
to St Marks Church. I do not
know whether this is the plot
which is now to be given over
to the Telegraph Dept. If so
the propriety of the Church authorities
asking for payment is open
to question. They got the land from
the Imperial Govt free for a
specific purpose, & when it is
not required for that purpose
they must restore it to Govt free
especially when required for
a public purpose. ~~I may be~~
~~wrong in my assumption that~~

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Position of this. The Ecclesiastical authorities have possession of a piece of land which we want very much for the new Telegraph Office. They are willing to give it up for a consideration because they want money to build a Parish Room, for which purpose the site was originally granted to them. Could we safely ~~ten~~ this consideration. I to arrange privately with the Tel Dept to pay over a certain sum deducted from the cost of site.

Can this suggestion or any other way by which the land could be surrendered and at the same time a grant of Since £ 6000 also be provided to the Chaplain for his Parish Room? Have we any funds from which such a Grant could be made say in 1906-07?

J.A.S

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Private arrangement seems to be the only way of getting over the difficulty. We have no funds now, and we cannot provide for this charge at any time as the Telegraph Dept

R. P. B.—3-1904.—8,000.

(Germs: MD)

is an Imperial Dept. outside the Resp. Control. As the Telegraph Dept. is willing to pay, the Ecclesiastical authorities may be left to arrange matters direct with that Dept. (Officially we have nothing to do in this transaction)

Sd/- Colpoys Dobbs

Below

MD 4/4
Rest

MD
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Issued D.O dated 10th April 1905 — S.9

Issued D.O. No. 2153 dated 12-4-05 — S.10

R. P. B.—7-0-03.—200.

RESIDENT'S OFFICE. 2

Serial No.
File No.

[DRAFT.]—For approval.

No 1329

March 6 1905

My dear Pike

With reference to the question of the site for new St. Mark's Church Bangalore which we are all agreed would be the best for the new Telegraph office, I went over the ground with the Bishop of Madras and the chaplain

2 we discussed the situation and we agreed - the Bishop concurring, that as there is no immediate prospect of a passage being built on the piece of ground adjoining the church compound the church authorities may well give in certain conditions which are as follows.

3 The Chaplain is anxious to get enough money to build a parish room within the church compound in order to save certain godowns now existing - and if the Tel

Central Telegraph Office,

Madras,

The 9th of Madras 190-

Dear Sir James,

Very many thanks for all the trouble you have taken over a site for a new telegraph office in Bangalore.

I am going up to Calcutta to morrow to see the Director General and will there ascertain from him whether he has any objection to the proposal you make for this Department to pay over a certain sum of money for the site given up by the Ecclesiastical Authorities; though I do

Put in the file.

1073

Dept. under the head of cost of Site" agreed pay over a reasonable Sum for that building the Site owned be made available.

4. Inclose you what is the Cost that the Chairman will take and I will also ascertain what the cost of the piece of land owned by, if it were required under the Act, and will let you know the facts later. This letter is on the value of an article.

5. I believe that the Military authorities will leave the remaining portion of the Dept. you require without charge

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BANGALORE C & M STATION MUNICIPALITY

10/3/08.

Dear Sir James Bowdler,

I have had the plot of land you asked about measured – i.e. the triangular plot bounded W. by the old boundary of St Mark's Church Compound & on the other sides by barbed wire. It measures 31,431 sq. ft. I believe that for this land we should have to pay at the

Put this into the file about the new Site for a Telegraph office

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Register No. 1238
Date of Receipt 29/3/1905
File No. 269/04

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Office of the Supdt
Telegraphs

Madras Division

Madras

27th March 1905.

Dear Sir James,

My D.O. of March 9th.

There will be no objections on our side to paying over a reasonable sum to the Church authorities for their land on -- the east of St Marks Church and from an interview I have had with General Nixon I do not anticipate any difficulty in -- the Military authorities letting us have the land we require.

Yours sincerely

H. S. Pike

Papers please about the new Telegraph office

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R. P. B.—7-9-03.—1,000.

RESIDENT'S OFFICE.

Serial No. 6

File No.

[DRAFT.]—For approval.

No 1906

March 29. 1905

as the 6th in Plaint

My dear Nuttall

You remember me
Conversating about your
giving up all claim to that
triangular piece of church
land which was granted
by the Building authorities
provided that you obtained
a reasonable sum for the
Telegraph Dept towards
the cost of a larger room.
Will you let me what
sum you require for the
purpose, and I will try
and arrange a settle-
ment between you and
the Telegraph Dept. It
is proposed to ask for
too much.

Yours &c

J. A. B

Bungalow.
1/IV/05

Dear Sir James

As I could form no idea myself as to the worth of the piece of ground in question, I called on Abrahams & asked him to give me some idea ... He sent me the enclosed which I send on to you

Perhaps we could discuss the matter on Monday. I am willing enough to take £000. of the £[illegible] if you are agreeable

Yours truly
D Nicholl

Rangoon
31st March 1905

The Revd Sutcliffe

Rangoon

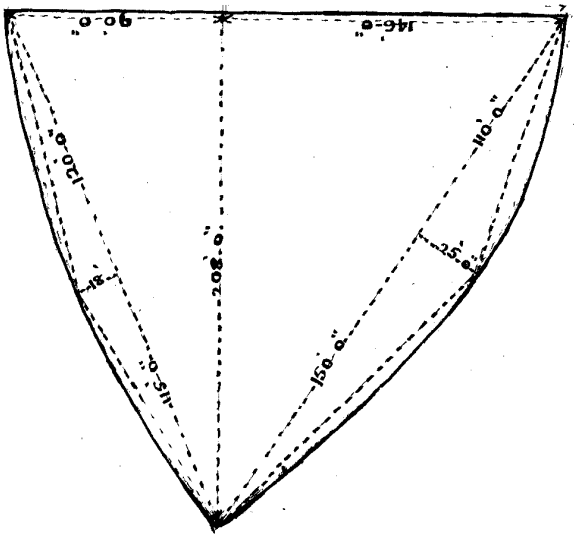
Dear Sir

I have much pleasure in Enclosing a Rough Sketch of the piece of ground to the back of St Mark's Church by admeasurement it is 2555 Square yards & for its position & value it is Rupees Eight Thousand viz. including the Mission Dwelling.

I remain Dear Sir
Your Obedient
H Ehrhardt

Rough Plan of Vacant Ground behind

SAINT MARK'S CHURCH



Area - $1 \times \frac{90' \times 208'}{2} = 9360$

$1 \times \frac{90' \times 146'}{2} = 6570$

$1 \times \frac{126' \times 18'}{2} = 1080$

$1 \times \frac{115' \times 18'}{2} = 1035$

$1 \times \frac{110' \times 25'}{2} = 1375$

$1 \times \frac{150' \times 25'}{2} = 1875$

Curves on either Sides = 1700

Total Sq feet 22995 or Sq yards. 2555

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Dear Sir James

I went to the CRE Office yesterday and secured a copy of the grant of land which appears to contain no conditions beyond that it was given as being required in connection with the Enlargement of the Church

Yours Sincerely

J. Kellett

Copy of letter No. 3990-Mo. W., dated 29th October 1901, from the Secretary to the Government of India, Military Department, to the Lieutenant General Commanding the Forces, Madras:-

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter, No. 9/12621, dated the 10th September 1901, and, Enclosures, including one plan, returned. in reply, to say that in the circumstances therein represented, the Government of India sanction the grant, to the Chaplain of St. Mark's Church at Bangalore, of the plot of vacant military land shewn in the plan forwarded, adjoining the compound of the church, which is required in connection with the enlargement of the Church.

II.

No. 9/16074 Ootacammund. 16th November 1901.

To

The G. O. C. Bangalore District

Forwarded for information with reference to correspondence ending with my No. 9/12622, dated 10th September last.

2. The plot, before being made over, should be properly demarcated at the expense of the Chaplain.

3.

8. The plan showing the portion of land now granted, is enclosed with request that it may be returned this Office when no longer required

(By Order)

Sd/ F. J. Aylmer Lt. Col.
for D. A. G.

III

No 2324 dy 18th Nov: 1890

Chaplain St Marks
Bangalore.

Forwarded for information with reference to this Office No 1774-B dy 13th September '01.

2. Attention is invited to para 2 above.

3. Return requested.

Sd/ F. Rowley Capt.
Offg: Dy ~~Asst~~ A.G. for A.A.G. Blore Dt.

IV

Dy 19th Nov: 1901

From Chaplain,
St Marks

To The D. A. A. G., Bangalore.

Noted with thanks & returned.

Sd/ W. Barry
Chaplain

R. P. B.—7-9-03.—1,000.

RESIDENT'S OFFICE.

Serial No. 9
File No.

[DRAFT.]—For approval.

Apr 10. 1905

My dear Rutsell

Your friend Mr. Abraham has asked me to write for Rosen telegraph office at R 6000 – and now has Rud it reasoned and valued at R 5768 – Mr. Abraham has sent the price because of the Situation but that can hardly be taken into consideration because the no number individuals would be allowed to bid. –

Mr. Rosen R 6000 would be a fair price, and if the Telegraph Dept will pay me that – will you agree to waive all claim to the land

Yours Fly

J. R.

R. P. B.—7-9-03.—1,000.

RESIDENT'S OFFICE.

Serial No. 10

File No.

[DRAFT.]—For approval.

No: 215-5.

April 10. 1905

Dear Mr Pike -

I wrote to talk of the 27th March about the site for the new Telegraph Office here.

Have you arranged with the General for the land in possession of the Military Dept? We Resident to [illegible]

There had two claims made of the value of the ground in possession of the Ecclesiastical authorities for R 5760 and the other for R 5000 - I have asked the chaplain whether he would take R 5000 from your Dept. and waive all claim to the site. Must not [illegible] a fair price

[illegible]

P.S. He agrees to take 5000/-

Military Secretary
Register No. 2059
Date of Receipt 12-4-05
File No. 269/04

Infantry Road.
11 April 05

Dear Sir James

S. 9 of 269/04. In answer to your letter of yesterday, I am willing to let the ground in question for the sum of Rs 6000/- if the Telegraph Department will pay that sum on receipt of that sum to waive all claim to

Let me have a type written copy of this with the file.

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Type written copy of the above letter with file No. 269 of 1904 is submitted.

12-4-05

12/4/05

~~Secy AD presents orders~~

Send a copy of this to Mr Price in continuation

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Compld. is sent for approval
12/4/05

12/4/05

R. P. M.—3.05—1,000.

RESIDENT'S OFFICE.

Serial No. 12

File No. 269

[DRAFT.]—For approval. 1904

No 2217 dt/15th April 1905

From

R. C. H. MOSS. KING, Esq., I. C. S.,
1st Assistant to the Resident in Mysore.

Hem Mr Pike

In continuation of
his d.o. letter of the 10th instant,
Sir James Mundell desires
me to send you a copy of
a d.o letter of the 11th idem
from the Revd T. Nuttall
about the site for the new
Telegraph office in Nanjanagud.

Yours sincerely
Sd/P.L. Moore

A. 10

A. 11

H. Pike Esqr.
Supdt of Telegraphs,
Mysore Division

12/4/05

12/4/05